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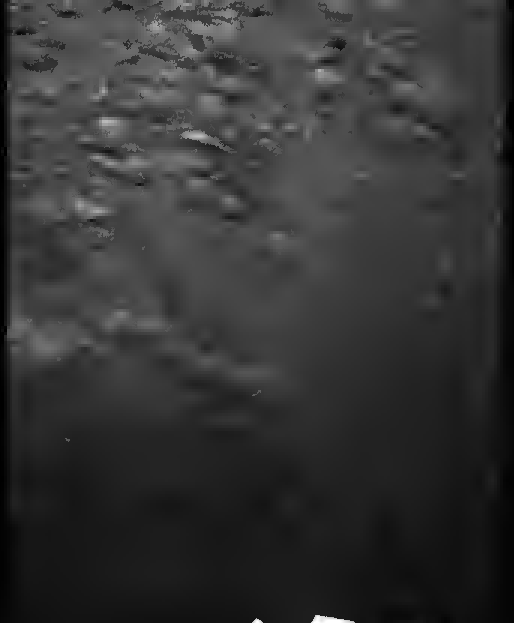

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Hey, you! What are you thinking, going out in a boat in the middle of a typhoon?!
And whose permission do you have to dock here? This place belongs to the Tokyo Cruise---

Chapter 69 To Protect? Or To Destroy?

To the Tokyo Civil Aviation Bureau!

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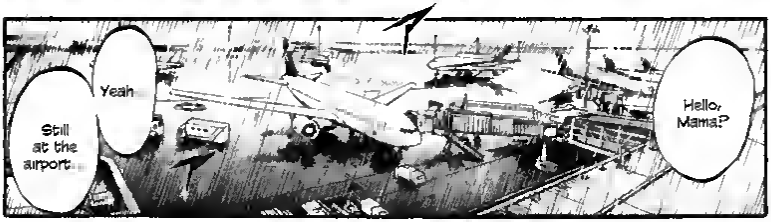
Who was that girl?
Dunno, but she was hot!

Terminal 2
SAME TIME, HANEDA AIRPORT


Hello, Mama?
Yeah
Still at the airport...

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Yeah
I don't know when the plane might leave, so...
I'll wait here a little longer and see

It sucks!
The Shinkansen isn't running either...

So bored...
I'm sick of playing cell phone games...
BIP

...This typhoon's really bad...
He can't be out salvaging right now...

SHOGAKU HEAVY INDUSTRIAL DOCK
Hm? What's the matter, Maaya?
Umm, you see... Hehe, well...
Do you know Rin-chan's cell phone number, Grandpa?
Yup
Lower it even more!
Sorry, Rintarou's out on a job
What?! In this weather!?
O-of course not! No way!
I'm stuck waiting for a plane at Haneda Airport, so I thought I'd chat a bit to pass the time
Why? You gonna ask him out?

I don't know the details, but he was in a big rush.
And I'm in a hurry myself, getting ready to go help him.
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Careful with it, the wind's strong!

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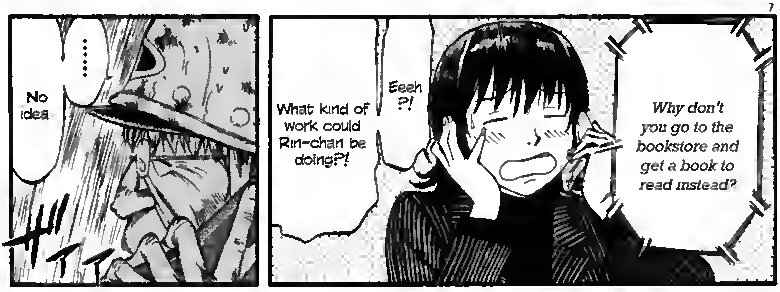
No idea
What kind of work could Rin-chan be doing?!
Eeah?!
Why don't you go to the bookstore and get a book to read instead?

But I know for sure it's no ordinary job.

15:03PM
KUDAN-SHITA. TOKYO CIVIL AVIATION BUREAU

ANDO HIROSHI
TOKYO CIVIL AVIATION BUREAU, SECURITY DEPARTMENT, OPERATIONS CHIEF
Huh?
.....
You want to shut down
All of Haneda Airport?!
Yes!

Ha!
Yes!
The whole airport?!
Not just one runway...

Do you know how big a loss we'd make if we shut down even one runway?! You can imagine, can't you?
This is utterly ridiculous!
When you showed up so suddenly I wondered what you had to say, but...

Mr. Ando!
An LPG tanker might blow up Haneda Airport any second now!
Are you okay with that?!

We take care of the skies, and the Coast Guard takes care of the seas!
If there's a problem there, it's *your* job to do something about it!
It's not about being okay with it or not! This is a result of your negligence, isn't it?!
Yes, and we're just asking for your cooperation...
I'm sorry... Please leave!
...I don't know what to tell you

"The SOLAS Treaty"...

That's the "SOLAS Treaty"... I'm sure you've heard of it.
The "International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea", drawn up in 1914 in response to the sinking of the Titanic. Over the years it has undergone several revisions. The latest one, on 1st July 2004, followed the simultaneous terrorist attacks on America in 2001.
It states that when the most important facilities of a country are in danger of a terrorist attack, the police, fire service, Coast Guard and other bodies have to work together with the state and city to strengthen defenses and protect them!

Are you telling me...
This is a terrorist attack?!
Terrorists hijack an LPG tanker and crash it into an airport...
I think it's a pretty realistic-sounding "scenario"...

I'm begging you, chief, please pass this request up the chain of command in the Bureau immediately!
You mean... you want us to carry out such a simulation?!
.....

.....

Many many human lives...
Are on the line here!

Can't smoke here...
Let's go to the smoking room

You get it, right?
For the sake of your career.

It's best to wait until you actually see smoke rising.
With problems like this...

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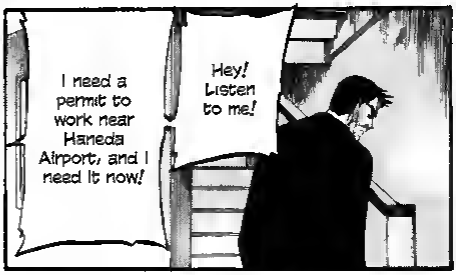
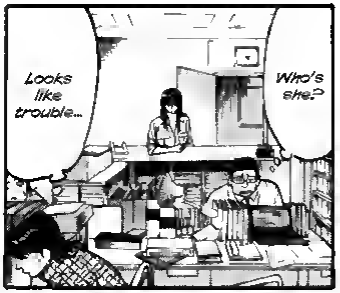
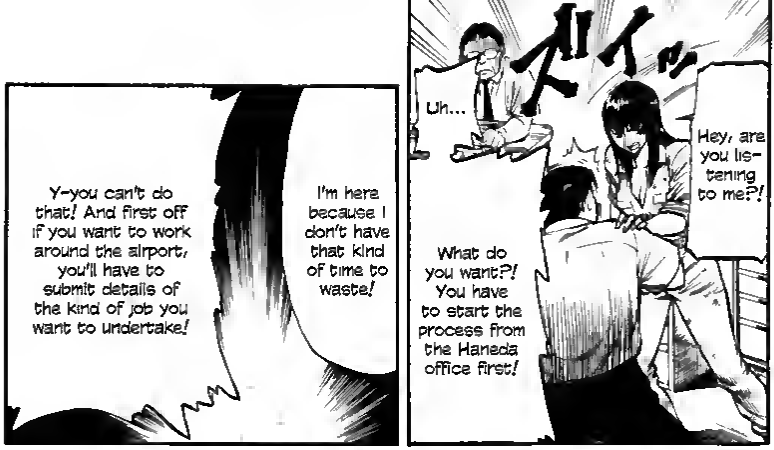
Human lives...
Everyone's only thinking about their own necks.

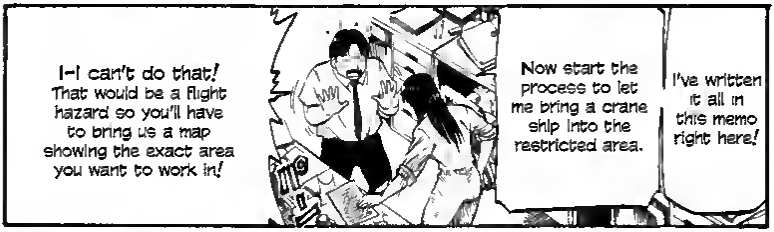
Mean nothing to them!
I don't have...
Anything left to try...


Hey! Listen to me!
I need a permit to work near Haneda Airport, and I need it now!


Looks like trouble...
Who's she?

I'm in a hurry!
So get me that permit right now!


Uh...
Hey, are you listening to me?!
What do you want?! You have to start the process from the Haneda office first!
I'm here because I don't have that kind of time to waste!
Y-you can't do that! And first off if you want to work around the airport, you'll have to submit details of the kind of job you want to undertake!


I've written it all in this memo right here!
Now start the process to let me bring a crane ship into the restricted area.
I-I can't do that! That would be a flight hazard so you'll have to bring us a map showing the exact area you want to work in!

A map? Fine, then I'll draw one right n--
N-no, a hand-drawn map won't do! We can only accept a 10,000:1 scale map from the Geographical Survey Institute, and not just one copy either--.

I'm sorry but the rules are still the rules!
Do you have *any* idea what's happening near the airport right now?
Get me your boss, now!

It doesn't matter what you say, the rules are the rules!
Hey!
I thought I told you, I don't have the time!

From Nanba Salvage ?!
Aren't you...

Ack!

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Guess it's only natural with a job like that, though.
Hiro's late!

It's drifting faster and faster!

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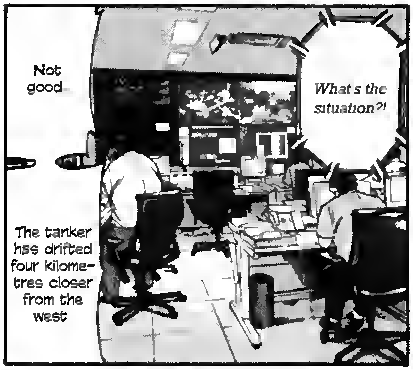
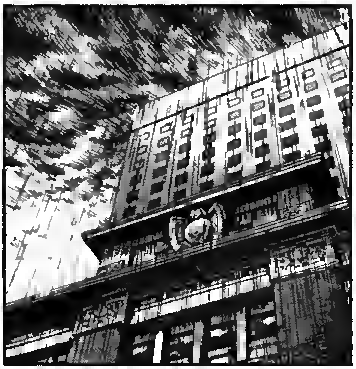

Not good
What's the situation?!
The tanker has drifted four kilometres closer from the west



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Right now it's only 5.5 kilometres away from the airport!
That close already?
More importantly, chief! What's happening with that salvage company?!
Ever since they asked for the bosun to be brought to them, they've been keeping their distance from the tanker. They haven't made a single move!

No...
They're moving all right!
羽田空港
HANEDA KŪKŌ

Rinon
What? This place is deserted!
Excuse me, ma'am?!
I-I'm sorry, it's official busi-ness

I'm going to mark out the work area as quickly as possible!

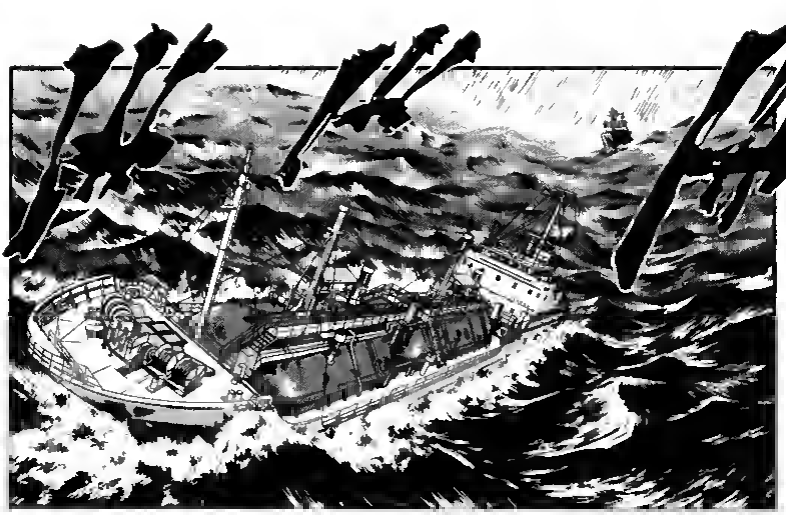
Right!
Hold it down!

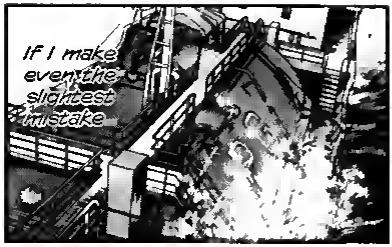
I was right to leave this to them
Naniba is full of skilled workers

She's so fast...

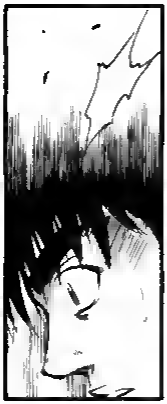
So all I can do...
...Is entrust Naniba Salvage with my hopes!

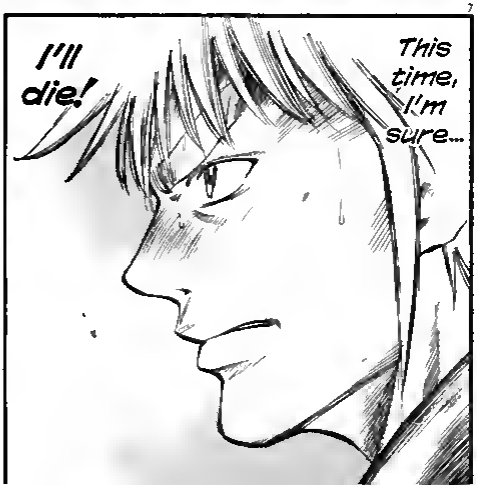
I'm at a dead-end right now




If I make even the slightest mistake

I'm going to have to board that ship.




I'll die!
This time, I'm sure...

TOKKYUU!
JA6833
Tokkyuu is here with the bosun!

.....
It's okay, please try to relax.

I'll make sure you get down there safely!

Going down!

Are you all right? Thanks for coming!
This guy-
He's used to this!
Eh?
Are you Mr. Nanba Rintarou?
Thank you very much!
I've brought Mr. Nakane Yoshio, bosun and tank engineer of Helios No. 3!
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I think we both trained in the same year, but I was in the second batch.
You were in the first half, right Mr. Nanba?
Yeah! What's your name?
O...Oh, really?
We practiced this sort of thing from time to time when I was on the patrol ship...
You took the carabiner off very skillfully. I'd heard the rumours about the diver who quit to become a salvor.

Kubo-sensei! Thanks for the cool picture of Hyougo!!!

Let's meet again somewhere!
Do your best, senpai!

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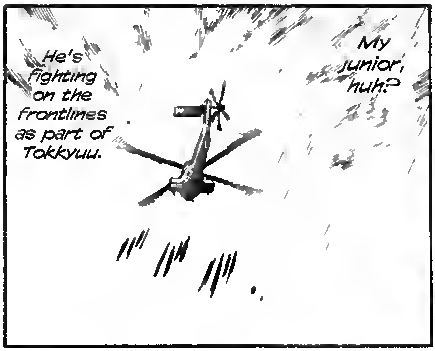
Nn
Are you okay? Can you stand?

G-going back to that ship?!
A-are we really—


He's fighting on the frontlines as part of Takkyuu.
My junior, huh?

Do your best, senpai!

Let's get you inside for now!
I won't...
Fall behind!

Alright, finished!
I have to submit three identical maps of the work area or it won't go through!
Huh?
Not yet! I still have two more to draw!
40 minutes! That was quick! Now let's start the process...
Those government workers are such wastes of time!
I told them I didn't have the time but they insisted on three...

I'll get your request approved with just this copy!
You're right! We don't have that kind of time!
I'm a government worker too, but...
At least I can be of this much help!
Can we really trust you?
Of course! Leave everything to me and get back to the ship!

But...
You didn't tell us about the gas leak, did you?
Everyone thinks you threw our lives away like we were pawns.
Can we really trust someone like that?

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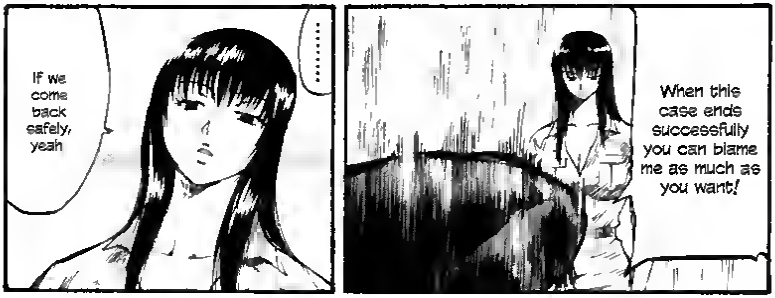
You guys... never got the message, huh?
I... I see...

Risking your lives in that situation!
So you had to work like that...
I tried over and over but i couldn't get through to Nanba's cell phone!
I'm very sorry!
And then i was busy with my own efforts so


If we come back safely, yeah
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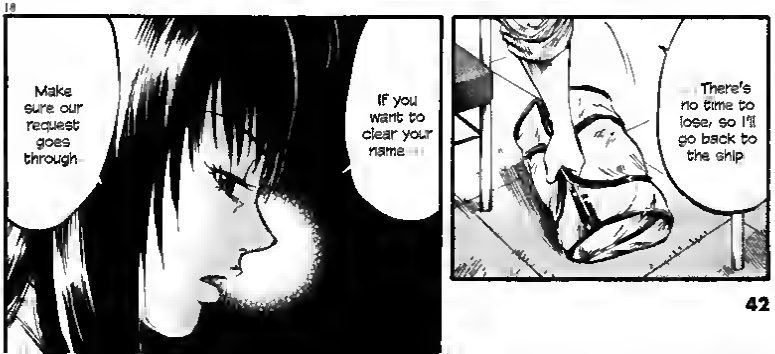
When this case ends successfully you can blame me as much as you want!


Make sure our request goes through
If you want to clear your name
There's no time to lose, so I'll go back to the ship

I'm leaving everything on land in your hands.
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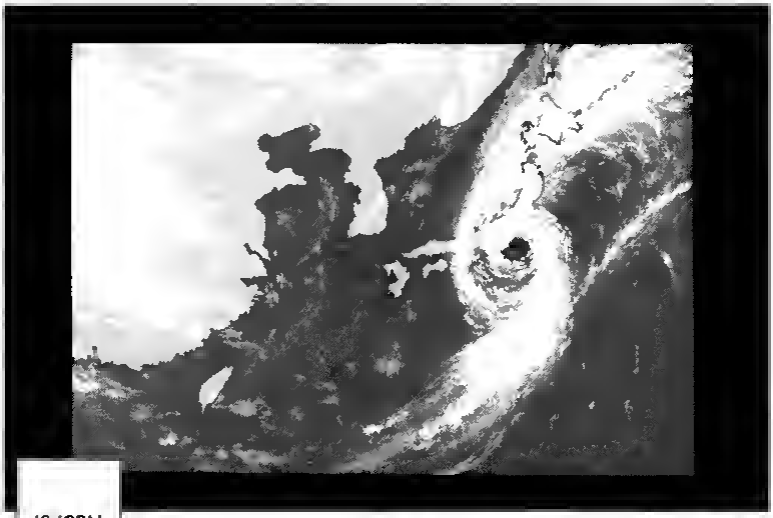
You can count on me!

No...
The gas...
There can't be a leak...

That's why we're telling you, there's no time!
Stop squirming and start helping us immediately!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HANEDA
AIRPORT
CONTROL
TOWER
There's nothing more we can do.

We've got no other choice, with the typhoon as it is

As soon as we land the planes circling above, we'll get ready to shut down too
Nagoya's going to close after the next flight

Chapter 71 A Series of Impossible Events
Let's get those last thirty planes down here as soon as possible!

It can't be!
There can't be a leak!
It's quite impossible!

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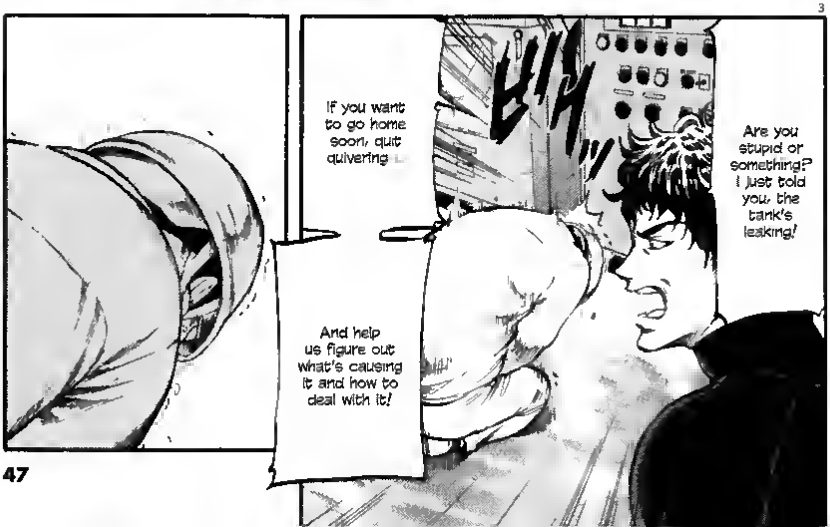
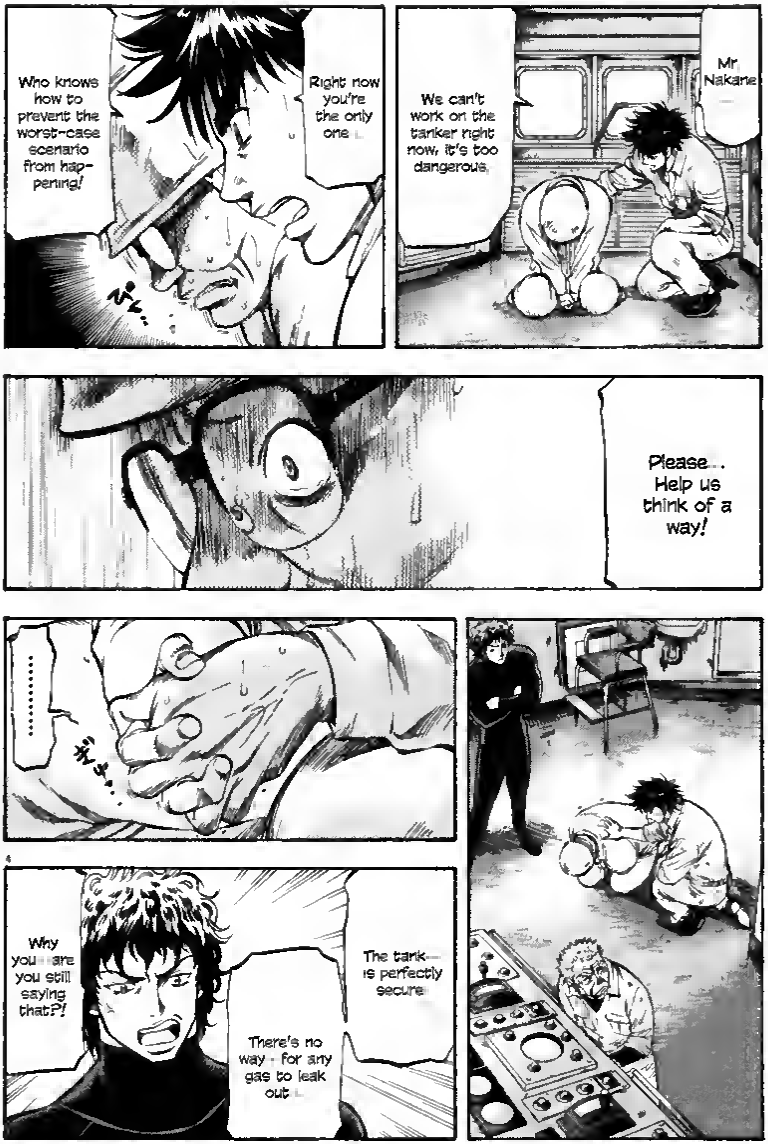

If you want to go home soon, quit quivering
And help us figure out what's causing it and how to deal with it!
Are you stupid or something? I just told you, the tank's leaking!


Who knows how to prevent the worst-case scenario from happening!
Right now you're the only one...
We can't work on the tanker right now, it's too dangerous.
Mr. Nakane...
Please... Help us think of a way!
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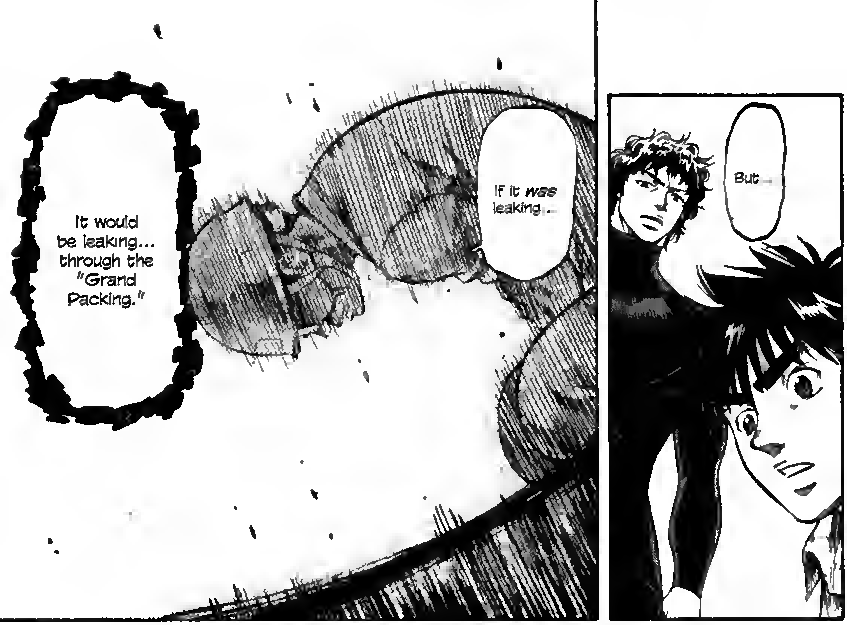
Why you... are you still saying that?!
There's no way - for any gas to leak out...
The tank... is perfectly secure.


It would be leaking... through the "Grand Packing."
If it *was* leaking...
But...

They come in two types, "red" valves and "blue" valves.
There are valves at the bottom of the pipes that link the tanks together
Grand... Packing?

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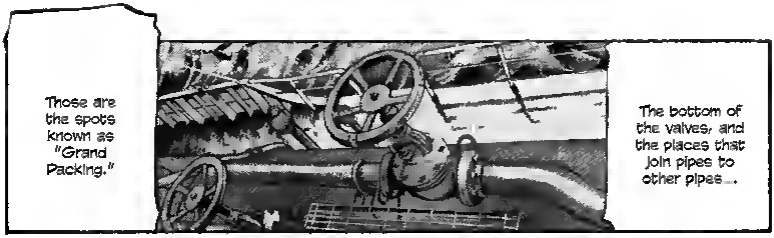
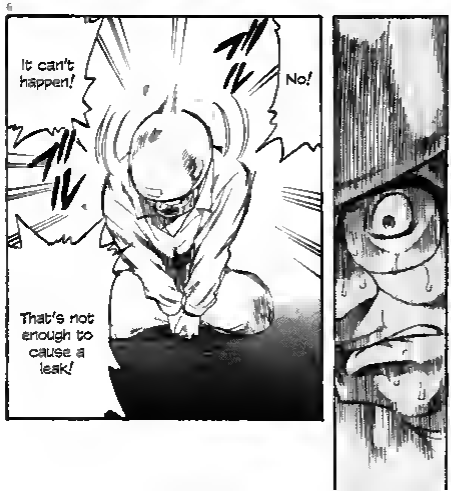
We always check before leaving port that these valves are tight enough and haven't been left open, but we don't check once we're at sea. That's how certain we are that they won't leak.
Red valves are used when the gas is being offloaded, so they're "outlet valves." Blue valves are the valves that open and shut the tank when the gas is being put in and taken out


Those are the spots known as "Grand Packing."
The bottom of the valves, and the places that join pipes to other pipes...

Furthermore, rust and heat can also weaken the packing without anyone noticing.
However, the strength of the packing fails as the valves are opened and closed.

If the ship then suffers a strong shock, it might loosen or warp...


It can't happen!
No!
That's not enough to cause a leak!

And then a gas leak might occur, but...

The emergency non-return valves!
They're fitted on all the stop-cocks!
Those valves are closed by oil pressure
So they stop the gas from leaking even if all the electrical systems go down
The only way they would fail...
...Would be if the oil pressure fell somehow
For example, if an oil pressure pipes got broken by the impact from a wave
If that happened, the oil pressure would fall and there's a chance that the valves would loosen ever so slightly...
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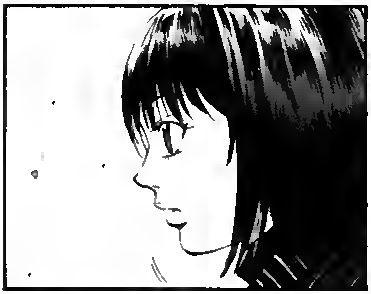
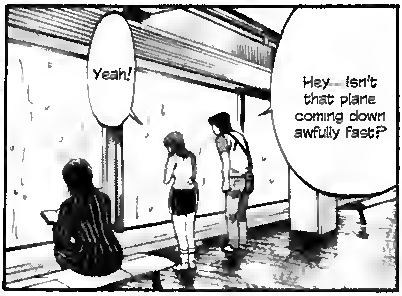
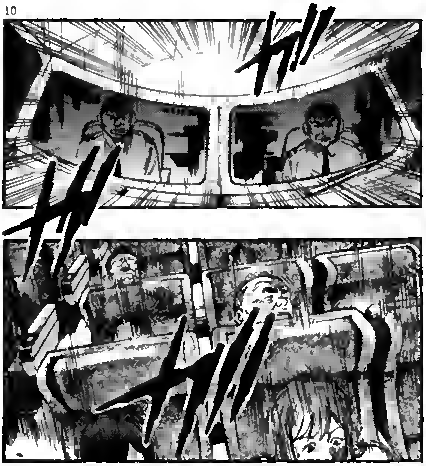
.....
Ha
Ha ha
No! Never! That could never happen!
That would be too many coincidences on top of each other, it couldn't ever...
It could happen.

I've lost count of the number of cases like that I've dealt with!
A series of events that wouldn't normally happen DO happen and an accident occurs.

ANL
ANL
We are now beginning our final descent into Haneda Airport Please ensure that your seatbelts are fastened and
W-we're not gonna crash, are we?!
O-of course not!
Ah!
GYAAA!
WAAAAH!!




Yeah!
Hey... Isn't that plane coming down awfully fast?



Whoa!
That looked really close!
Yeah, right!?
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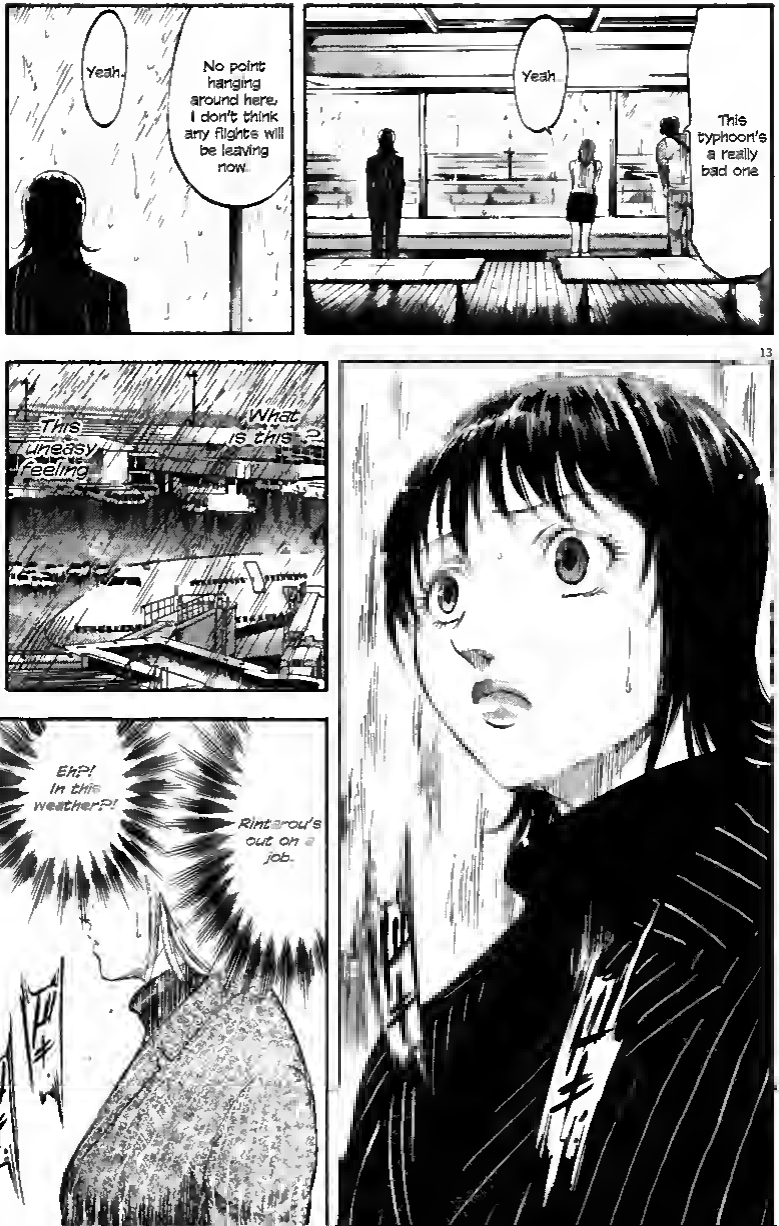
Yeah.
No point hanging around here, I don't think any flights will be leaving now.
Yeah.
This typhoon's a really bad one
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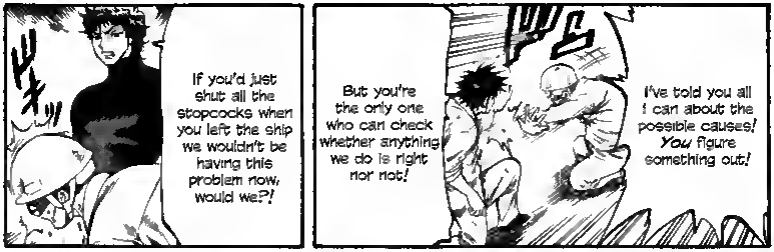
What is this ?
This uneasy feeling
Eh?! In this weather?!
Rintarou's out on a job.

Rin-chan...
What are
you doing
right now?

It's leaking gas! What if it explodes?!
Are you crazy?! You want me to go back on that ship with you?!


If you'd just shut all the stopcocks when you left the ship we wouldn't be having this problem now, would we?!
But you're the only one who can check whether anything we do is right nor not!
I've told you all I can about the possible causes! You figure something out!

If it explodes, we'll all die! There won't even be a scrap left of us!
Aren't you guys scared?!
Wah
Ahhh

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Think about it for a moment. The Coast Guard brough you all the way back here in a helicopter.
How can you say that for sure?!
They only did that because they trusted in our abilities.

The ship...
...Won't explode!

And that means there's no job we can't do!
There's no ship we can't salvage when he's in charge
That guy right there is a Salvage Master

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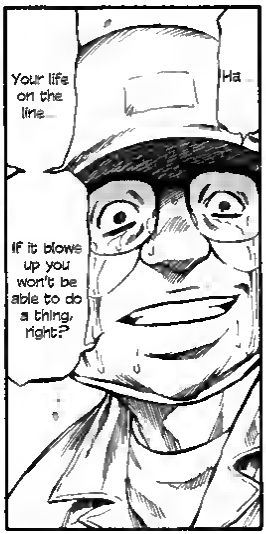
I...
I don't have as much experience as Sawa... In fact, I'm pretty useless, but...
And me...
Heh heh!

I'll put my life on the line...
To protect you!


Your life on the line...
If it blows up you won't be able to do a thing, right?
Ha...

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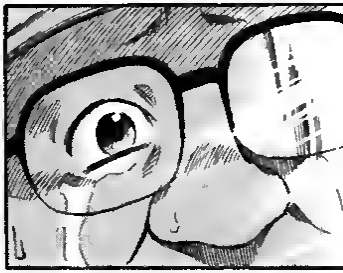
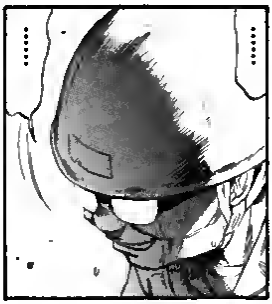
All right...

Haha...

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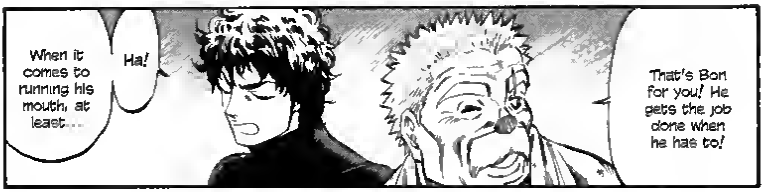
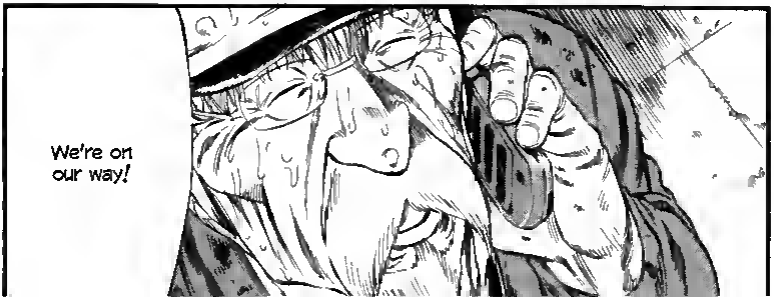

When it comes to running his mouth, at least...
Ha!
That's Bon for you! He gets the job done when he has to!

He's a first-rate salvor.

What you think I called just to chat?
You're late! Is everything ready?
Sawamura? This is Tagashura

This job sounds interest-ing...
So I'll be joining you!


We're on our way!

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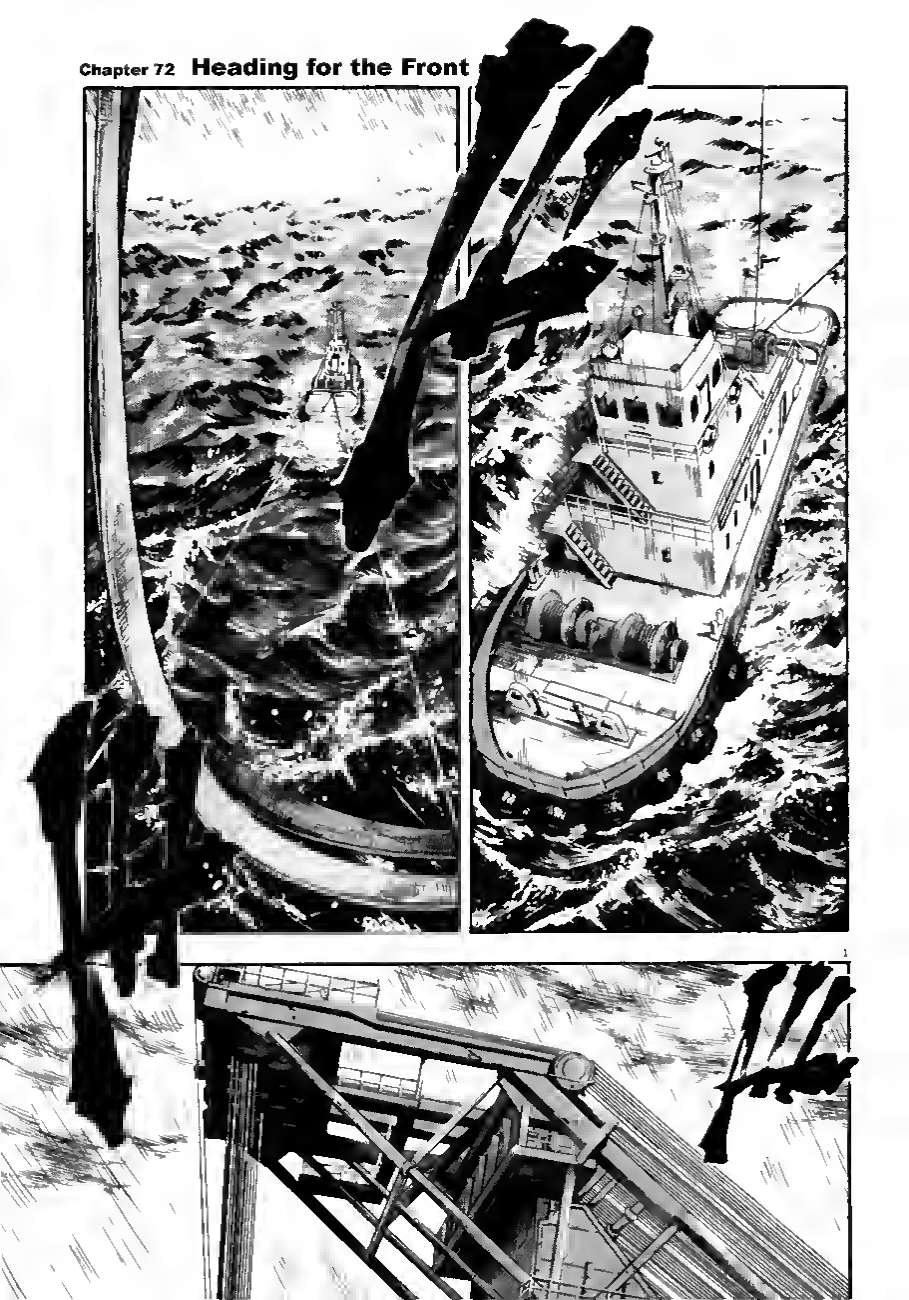

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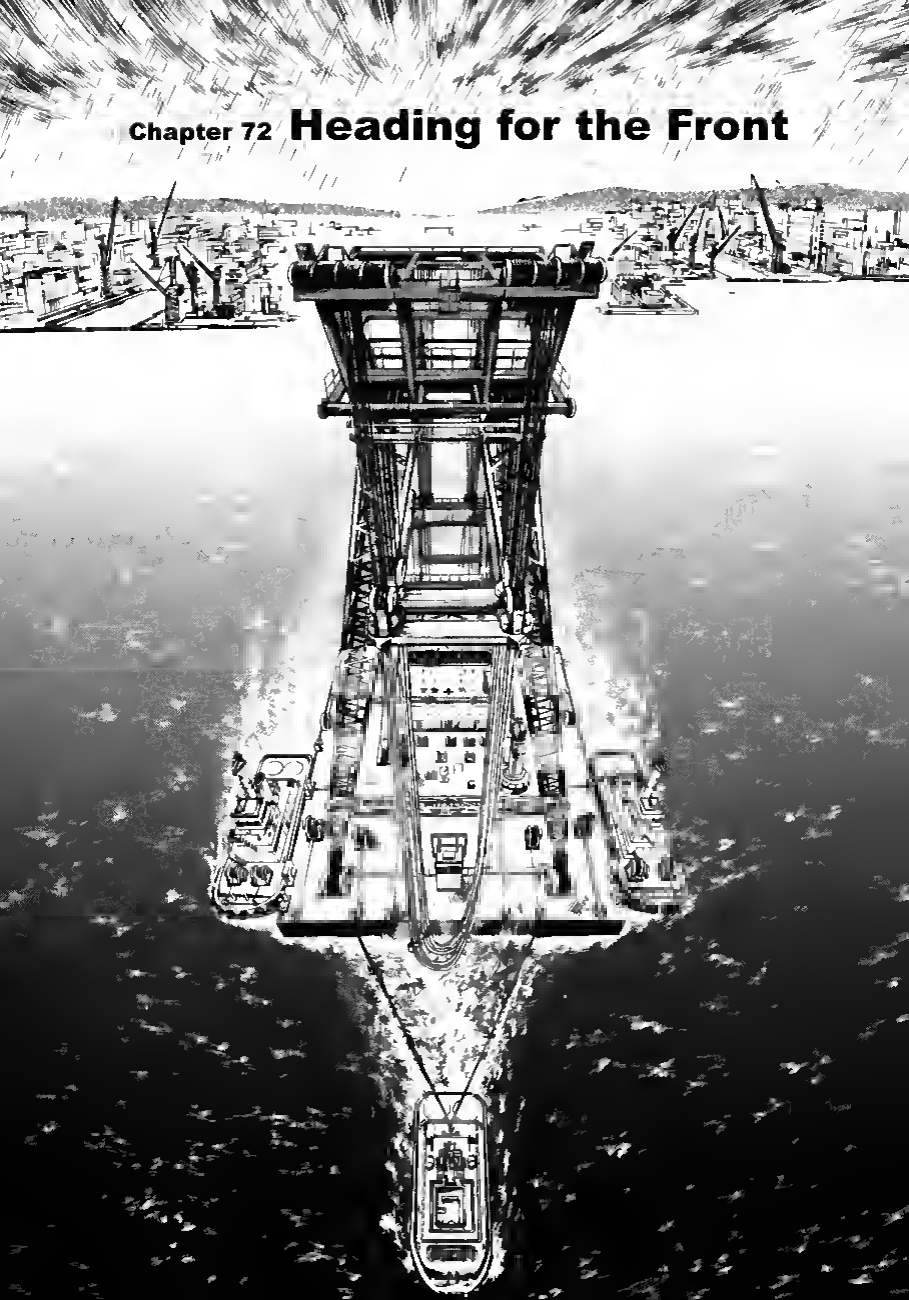

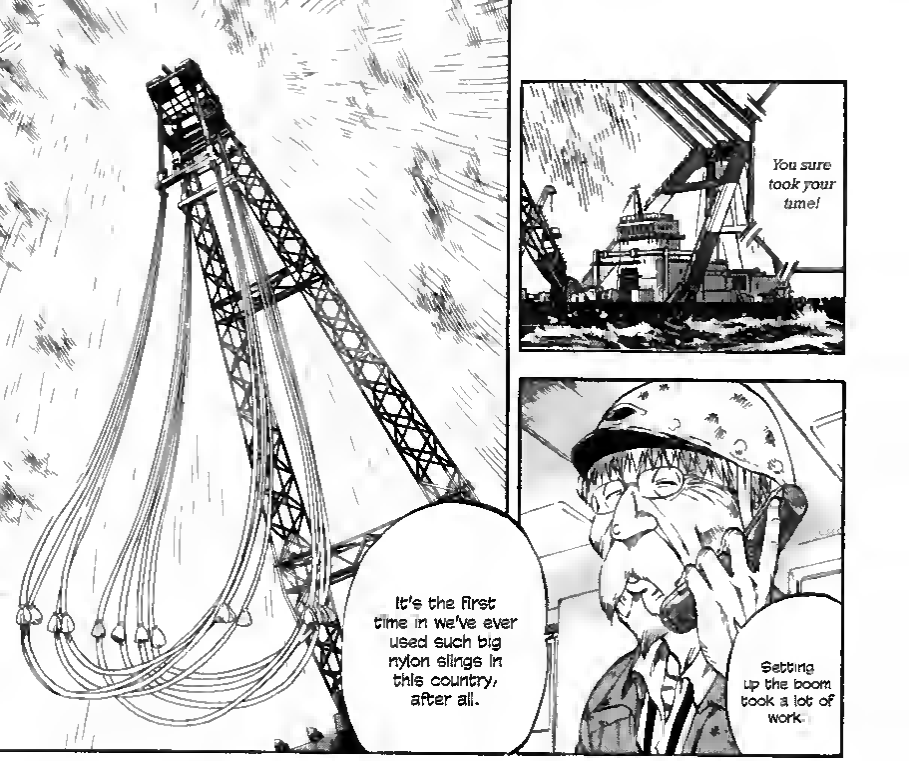
It's the first time in we've ever used such big nylon slings in this country, after all.

You sure took your time!

Setting up the boom took a lot of work.

Now, it's about time you told me...
What in the world is going on?

This kind of setup is unheard of in Japan.
They won't be able to do a thing if I'm not around.
And why are you coming along?

YAMATO SALVAGE TOKYO HEAD-QUAR-TERS
What in the world is going on?
Where is "Aso" going?

As I just said... Nanba Salvage asked to borrow it.
.....
Impressive... executive coffee has a whole new taste
Don't duck the question!
Neither the media nor the Coast Guard has made any report of a shipwreck!
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It's not about the money! Nanba has information that we don't! Yamato's reputation is on the line!
While we're sitting here drinking delicious coffee, we're also making a ton of money from the leasing fees.
I fail to see the problem

Yamato won't be beaten...
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Not as long as I'm here.

Meaning if you weren't here... Yamato would lose?
Eh? Oh no, did it sound that way?

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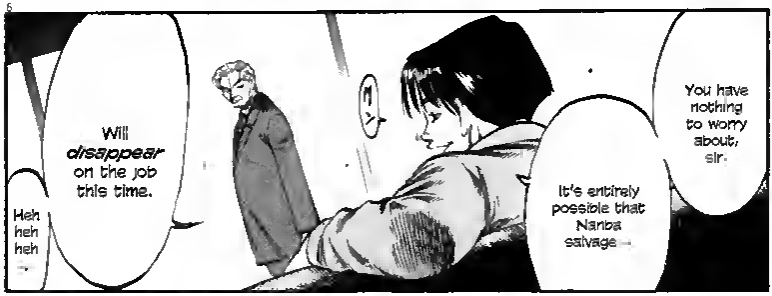
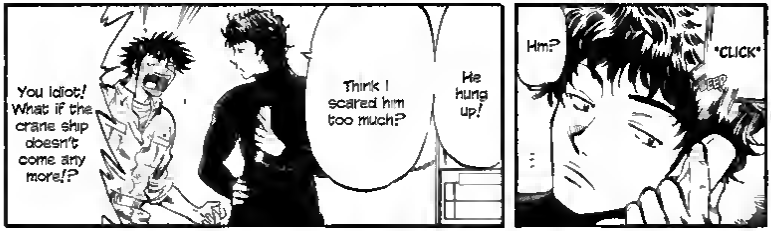

You have nothing to worry about, sir.
It's entirely possible that Narita salvage—
Will *disappear* on the job this time.
Heh heh heh—

Thanks for the coffee!
You really shouldn't worry so much at your age, sir. It will only stress you out.
A ship...
Carrying 1800m of LPG is heading for Haneda?!

So be a good boy and get off at Yajima, will you?
Yup! Way too much for your old bones to handle, right?


You idiot! What if the crane ship doesn't come any more!?
Think I scared him too much?
He hung up!
Hm?
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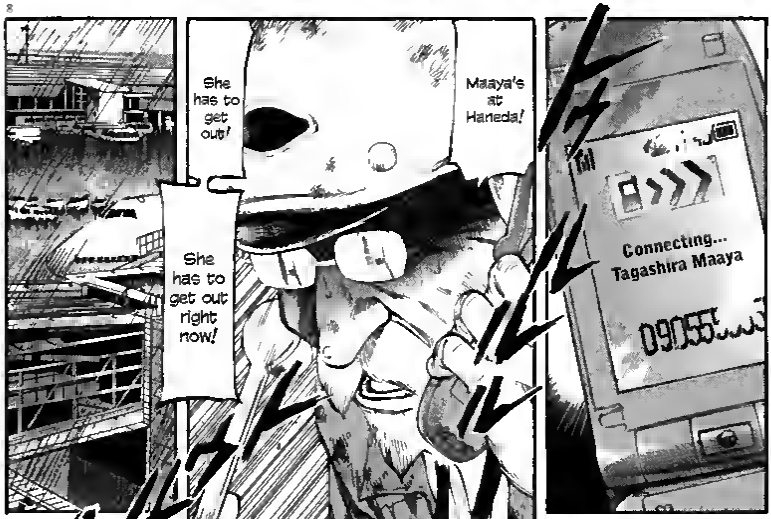
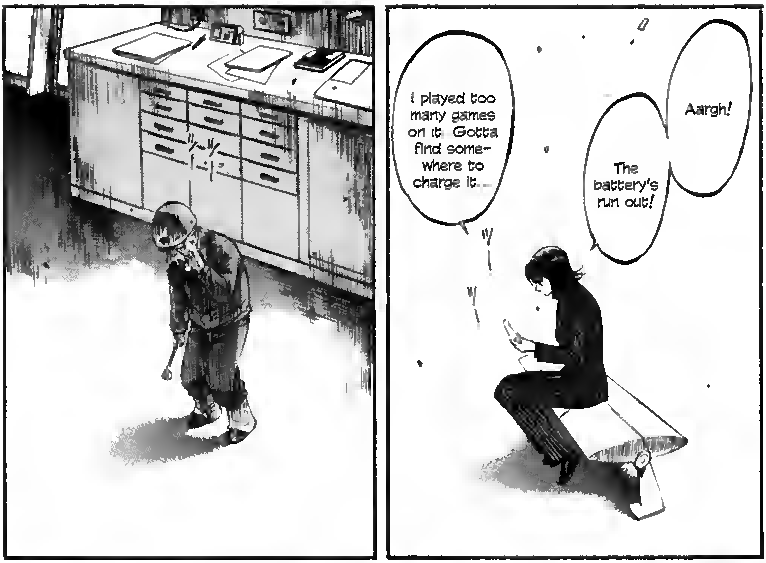

She has to get out!
Maaya's at Haneda!
She has to get out right now!
Connecting... Tagashira Maaya
09055

Hello?
Maaya?!
Good timing, Grandpa! I wanted to ask you something...
Forget that. Maaya! Hurry up and *BEEP* out!
Eh? What?
Hanada... hurry... *BEEP*
You have to *BEEP*
Ah, the line's bad
BEEP
Run *BEEP*
Hey, Grandpa!
What kind of job is Riri-chan doing—


I played too many games on it. Gotta find somewhere to charge it...
The battery's run out!
Aargh!

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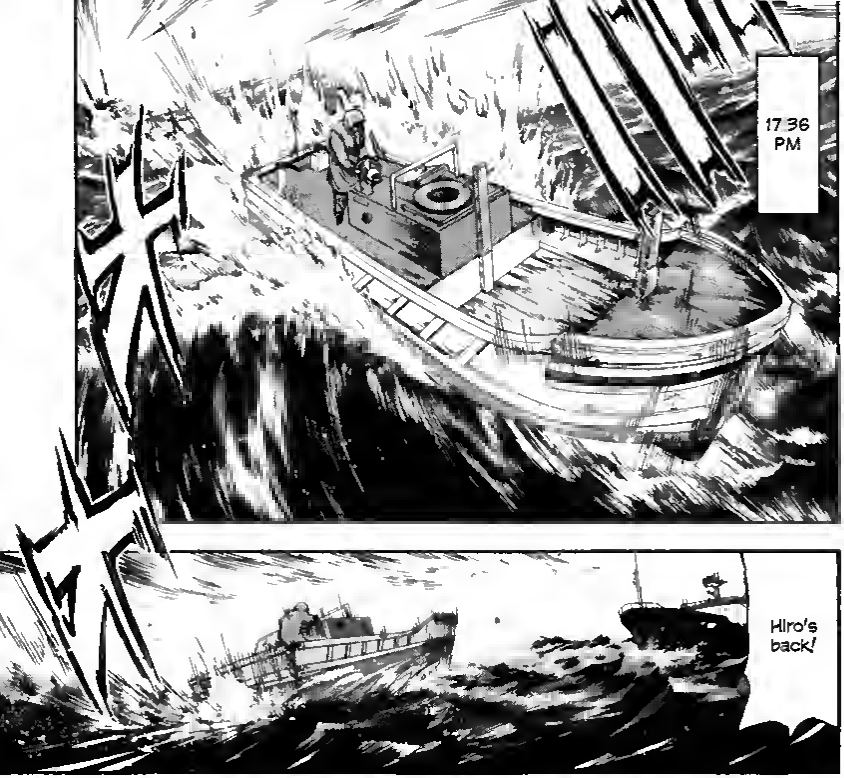
Maaya...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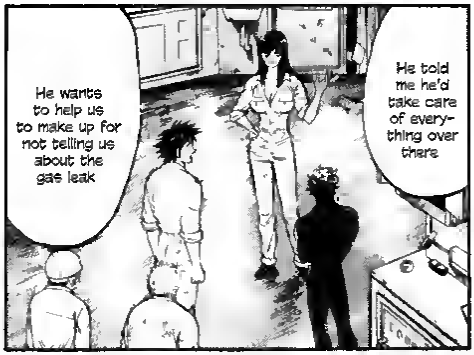
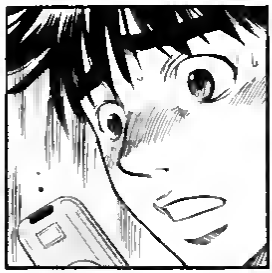
PM
Hiro's back!

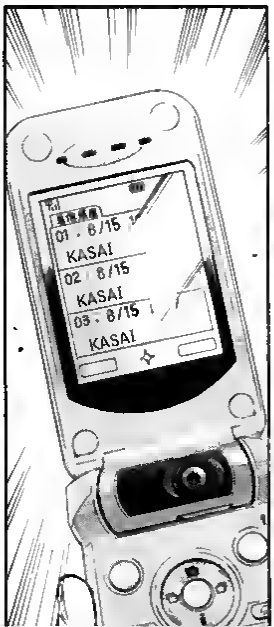
I'm plenty hot enough right now...
Great job, Hiro!
I've got some hot coffee waiting for you!

You ran into Mr Kasai?!
Eh?!

He did say he kept trying to call the Boss's phone, though


He wants to help us to make up for not telling us about the gas leak
He told me he'd take care of everything over there

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KASAI

I'm sorry I doubted you, if only for a moment... I'm so pathetic...
I'm sorry! I'm sorry, Mr. Kasai!

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That's great, isn't it, Bon!?
What's the point if he didn't get through!?
Well...
At least he's better than those who don't even try to do anything.

All that's left now...
...Is for us to do something about that LPG tanker!
Mr. Kasai is supporting us from land.
We have nothing to worry about!

If you blow the ship up, I'll knock your block off!
Don't forget the gas masks and the gas check! Don't use the wireless until you've confirmed the gas density!
LPG is heavier than air. The leaked gas might be pooled on the surface of the water.
Roger!
Make sure you paddle by hand, no matter how hard it is! Don't you dare turn on the engine!
So we're going to die
Stop nagging already!
16
It'll be a piece of cake!
Take this oar, Mr Nakane!

As long as we work together!

Here we go!

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Eeep!
If they can't make themselves useful, we'll be in trouble

Will those two be okay?
Sending more people would only cause more confusion
We've got a mountain of preparations to make anyway

It's time for us...
To show what we're made of!

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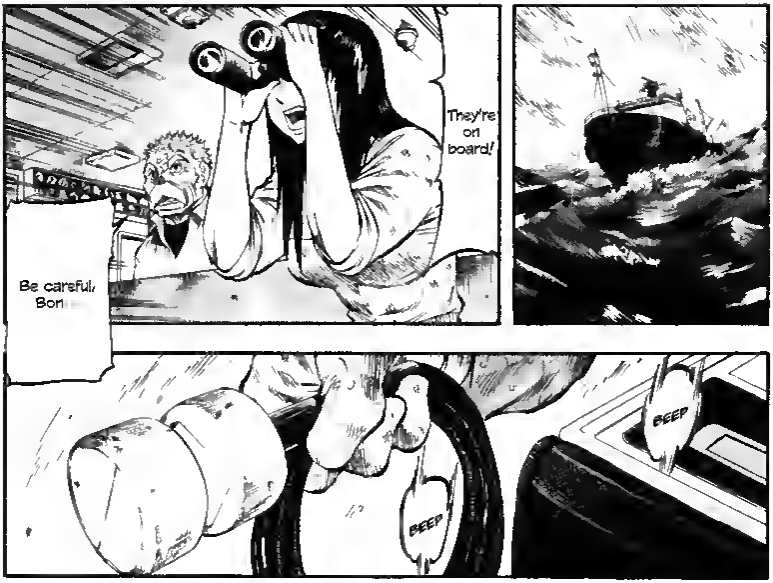
Aah!
You go up first, Mr. Nakane! I'll support you!
URGH!

Chapter 73 Unfinished Duty


They're on board!
Be careful, Bon
BEEP
BEEP

There's a gas leak all right!
Y-yes, just up ahead
The valves are this way, right?
BEEP
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I'm getting a reading...

But I can't smell anything...

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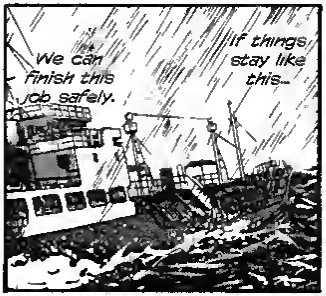
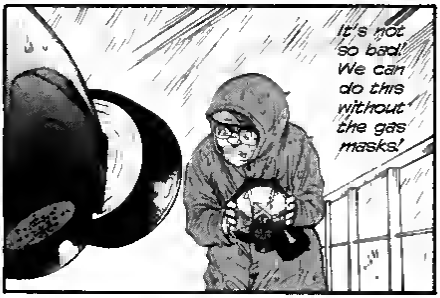
Flammable Gas


We can finish this job safely.
If things stay like this...


It's not so bad! We can do this without the gas masks!

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Safely...
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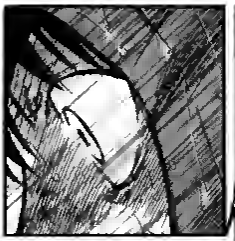

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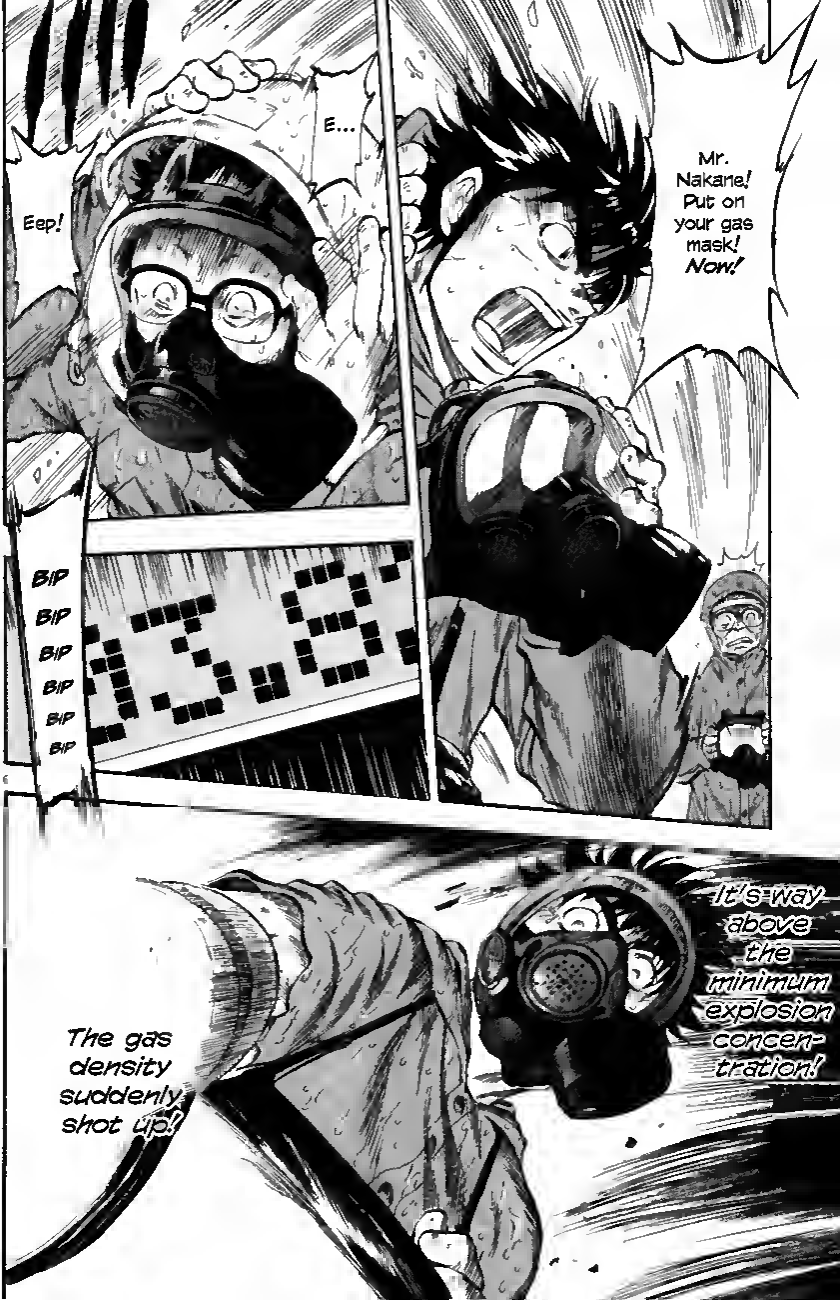
Flammable Gas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Eep!
Mr. Nakane! Put on your gas mask! Now!
D...
BIP
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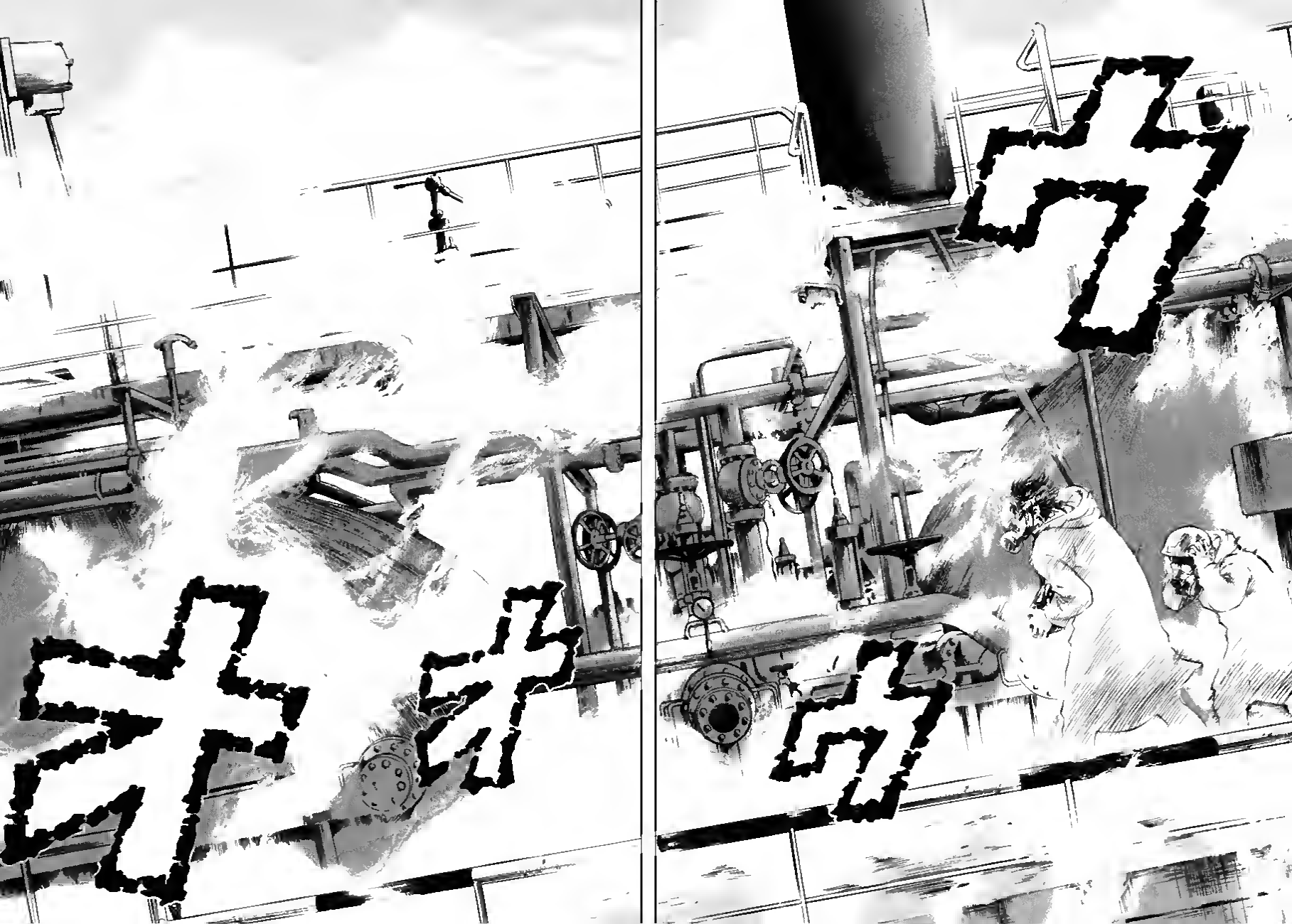
BIP
BIP
It's way above the minimum explosion concentration!
The gas density suddenly shot up!

Right now...
We're smack in the middle of a gas field!
Because of the wind, the density is fluctuating wildly!
It's a clear colorless gas so I can't tell, but
Just when you think it's dispersed...
It suddenly gathers again!



Can't let... any sparks fly...
If somehow...
There was a strong impact...
One step... One step at a time...
Care-fully...
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.....!?
I'm ...
...Sorry... ...I'm sorry...
Mr. Nanba!
Lah

M-my leg cramped up...
Ohhh...
Ohhhhh...

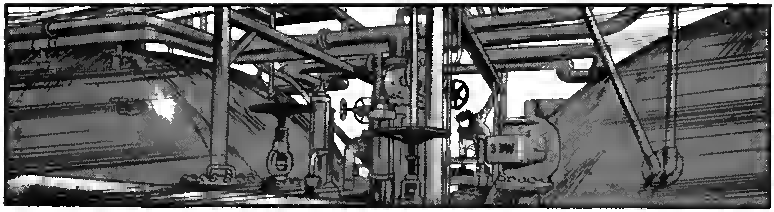
I'm so pathetic!

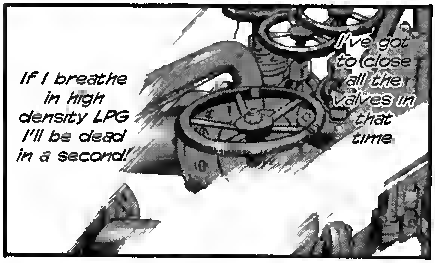
We just have to close all the valves in order, right?

Give me directions from there and I'll do it!

Here
Please hold on to this

I can't let myself get scared...
Didn't I say I would protect him?!
Before I become a 450!




If I breathe in high density LPG I'll be dead in a second!
I've got to close all the valves in that time.

The filter cartridge on the gas mask will last another ten minutes

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Even if it doesn't explode...
I'll die!

My legs moved by themselves!
That looked so dangerous...
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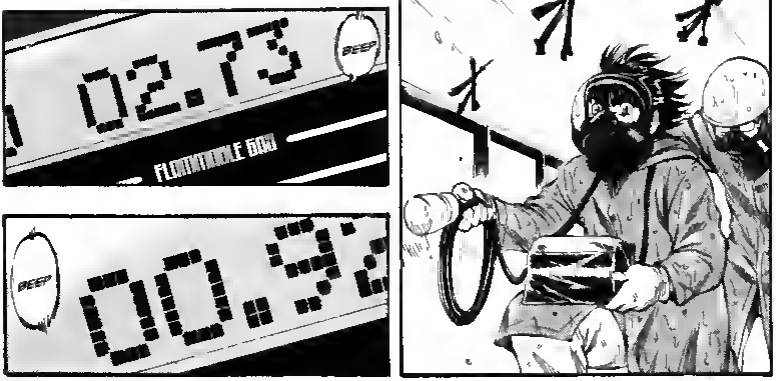
This is...
The last one!
Now...

The gas has stopped!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BEEP
FLAMMABLE GAS
BEEP
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We did it, Mr Nakane! We stopped the gas leak!
The numbers are going down!

Th Thank you very much!
What are you talking about? I should be thanking you for your hard work!
Are you okay?

Thank you so much...
Thank you...
No...it's all thanks to you, Mr. Nanba.
If you hadn't been there... I would have kept running away. I would have regretted it for the rest of my life...
It's over.
Come on.
Let's go back.
I've done my duty.
We've stopped the gas leak!

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What's the matter?
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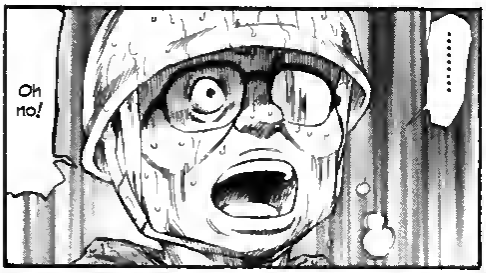
Wait...we stopped the gas...from flowing out...?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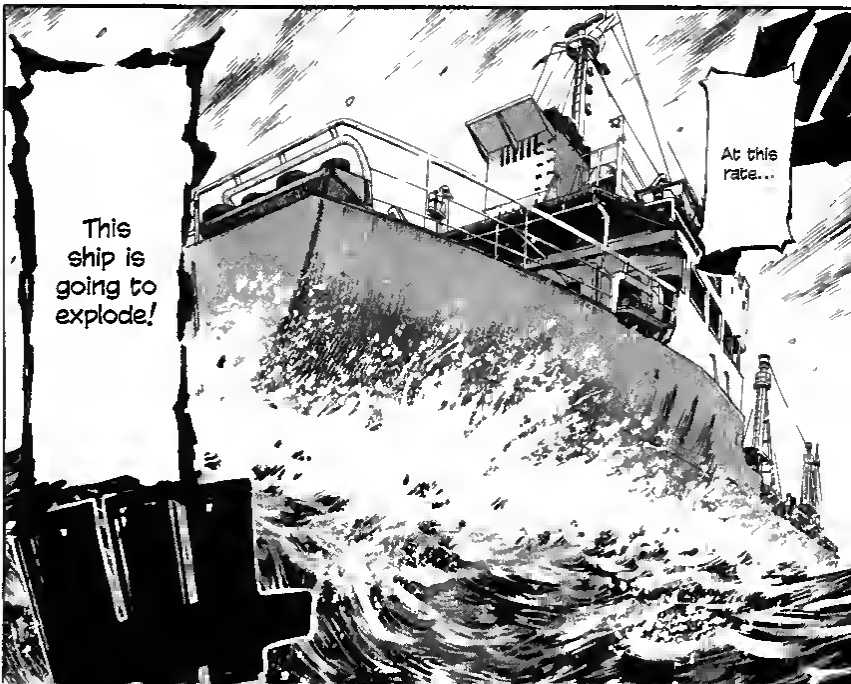
This ship is going to explode!
At this rate...

Kairin-maru, do you copy?!
This is Rintarou!

Kairin-maru here!
Well done, Bon!
Hmph... That was faster than I'd expected!
Which means he managed to stop the gas!
It's Bon, over the wireless!

Yeah
Bon?
.....
What's wrong?
But
We did stop the gas
?
...I'll let Mr Nakane tell you the details

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If things continue like this
But
That's brought about a new problem
With Mr Nariba's help we've been able to stop the leak, but
Uhh Nakane here

Chapter 74 From Frying Pan to Fire
This ship...
...Is going to explode!

T-this ship's cargo transport system...

Is what we call "Half-cooling, Half-Pressurization"

W-what?!

How is that possible?!

What we do is, we cool the LPG to minus 50 degrees, and then compress it to a certain level before putting it in the tank.

But now that the electricity is down, we can't keep the pressure up or the temperature down. This means the gas will gradually expand...

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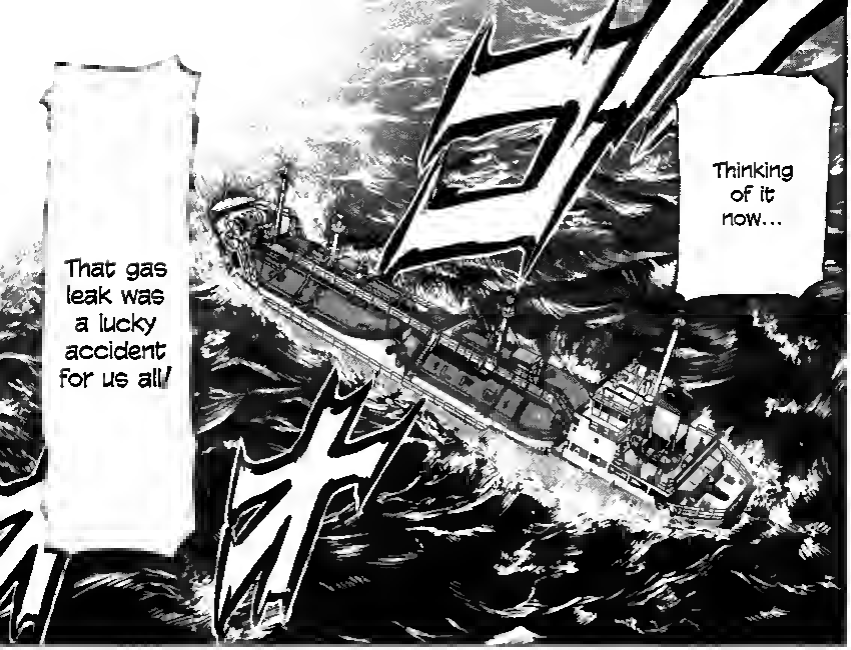
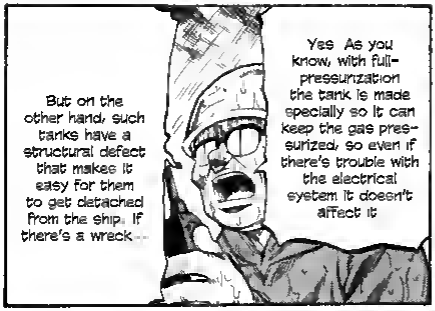
Of course there are safety valves to let the pressure out...

But they can't keep up with the rate of expansion

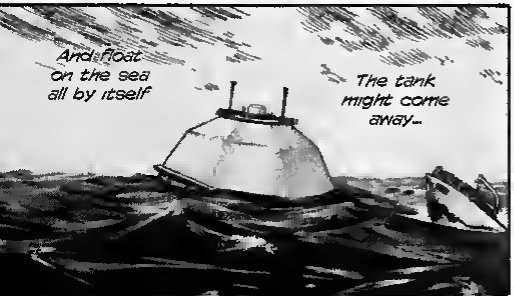
...The tank will eventually rupture...

And there'll be a huge explosion!


That gas leak was a lucky accident for us all!
Thinking of it now...


But on the other hand, such tanks have a structural defect that makes it easy for them to get detached from the ship. If there's a wreck...
Yes. As you know, with full-pressurization the tank is made specially so it can keep the gas pressurized, so even if there's trouble with the electrical system it doesn't affect it

Dammit! I didn't think of that!
You mean that isn't a fully-pressurized tank?!


And float on the sea all by itself
The tank might come away...

Has gone wrong!
Every-thing that can go wrong...
.....!
That's why our company put safety first and chose a half-cooling, half-pressurization sys-
But now there's an accident, you're up the creek, huh?!

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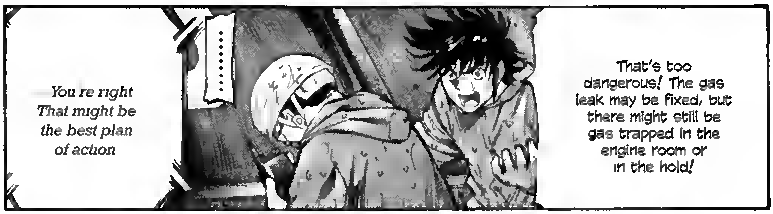
We'll have to come back to Kairinmaru for now.
It's too bad, but...
.....

Rrgh... Fine!
Let's try and think up a new strategy
It's too danger-ous here
We should go back and think of something...

I'm going to put the electricity back on!
I'm going to get the cooling system running again!

Huh ?!


That's too dangerous! The gas leak may be fixed, but there might still be gas trapped in the engine room or in the hold!
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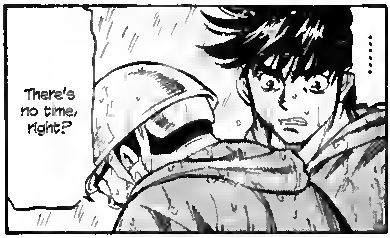
You're right That might be the best plan of action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There's no time, right?

Sawa?!
We don't have time to call in another engineer
Right now the bosun is the best person to handle this!

I'm…
Tired of running away.

Protect me, won't you?
You'll ...
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The cooling system...
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Now that I think calmly...
So many things went wrong that we all panicked, but...
...is at the front of the ship.
A flood of that size isn't enough to destroy the generators.

Either the circuit board has shorted...
Or the wires leading to the cooling system are broken.

That's what we're going to check.

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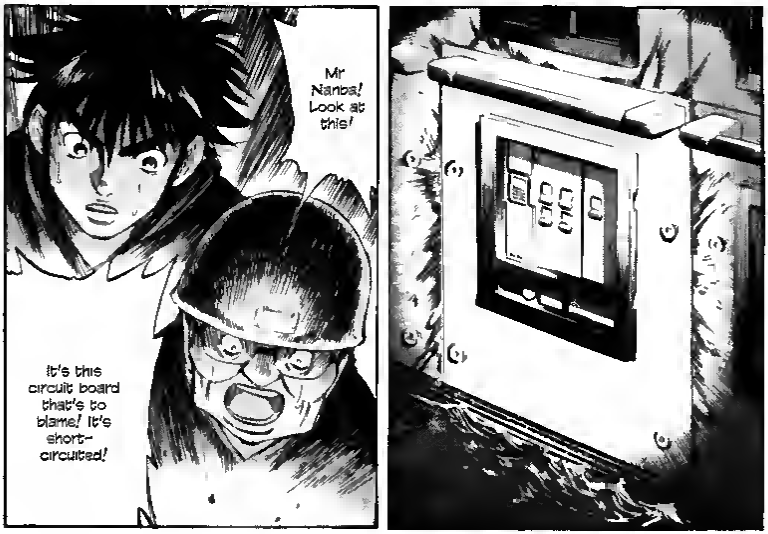
Mr Nanba! Look at this!
It's this circuit board that's to blame! It's short-circuited!

I can fix this!
If I can reconnect the generators and the front of the ship...
Okay, please do!
There might still be gas in here somewhere.
All right, then I'll go check for gas on the lower levels.
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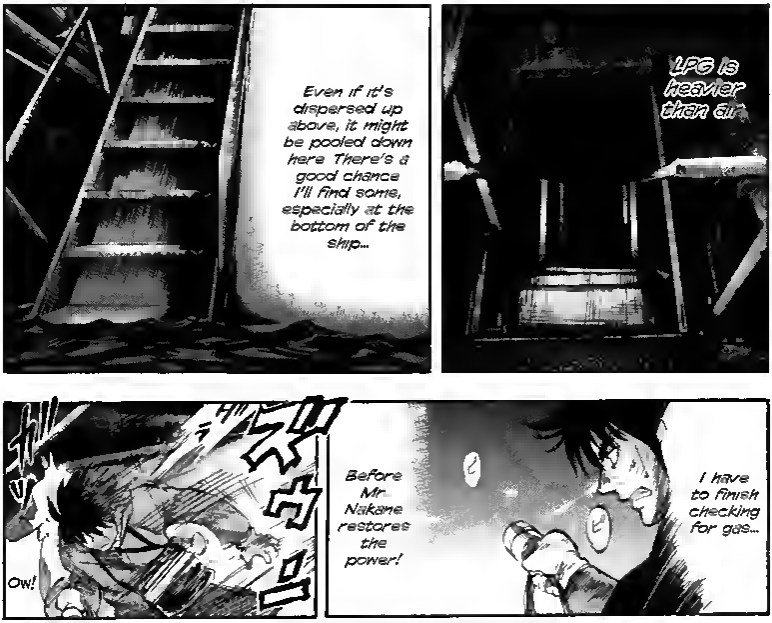
Even if it's dispersed up above, it might be pooled down here. There's a good chance I'll find some, especially at the bottom of the ship...
LPG is heavier than air.
Ow!
Before Mr. Nakane restores the power!
I have to finish checking for gas...

There's no way I can check 100% of the ship!
But...

There might be gas—
Lurking in places the checking device can't reach!

There are—! so many places a person can enter...

I won't be surprised if there's an explosion somewhere!
When the power comes back on...

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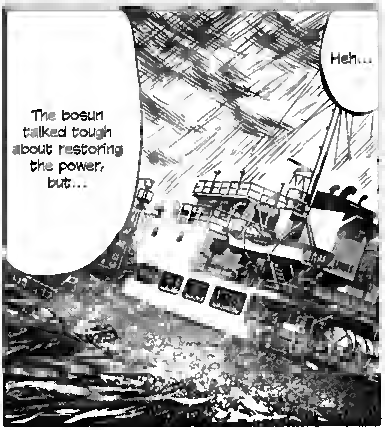
This is nothing but an emergency patch...
It's far from "perfect"!


Heh...
The bosun talked tough about restoring the power, but...

He knows this is a high-risk attempt.
He's no idiot.
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hic
.....
His stomach must be churning as he works...
He's scared enough to die right now!
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There's no other choice but to risk this
But...

This is the gamble...
of a lifetime!

Hi!
Checking for gas
I've finished
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I'm done here too.
The power recovery is perfect!
There's no gas anywhere!
I'm 100% sure...

I'll push it.
It's okay!!

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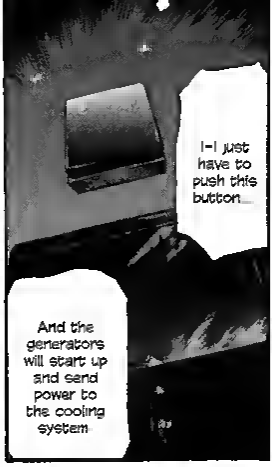
I-I just have to push this button...
And the generators will start up and send power to the cooling system

Now...

Ha! You really are...
An optimistic guy...

It hasn't blown up so far...
I'm sure we'll be fine!

All we can do now...
Is trust in our own luck!

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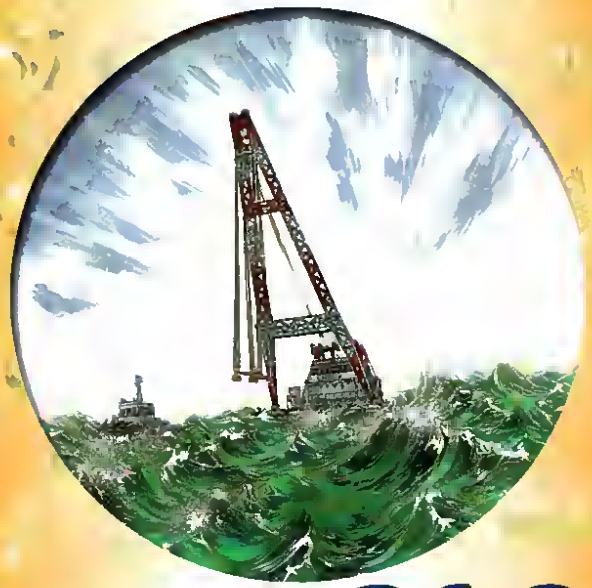

Master Of Sea

YŌICHI KOMORI+YUJI TAKEMURA

An LPG tanker leaking gas is drifting towards Haneda Airport! Rinterou and the ship's bosun work together and somehow manage to stop the leak! However before they can relax, the bosun realizes something... "Even if we stop the leak, as long as the cooling system isn't functioning the gas will expand...and this tanker will eventually explode!" The only way to get the cooling system running again is to get the emergency generator running...but will they make it in time?! Meanwhile a giant typhoon is closing in on Tokyo Bay?!

Chapter 75 The Pride of the Civilians

.....
The cooling system ...
It's working again!

This time we really did it!
And... we're still alive!
We did it, Mr. Nakane!

If we had a specialist engineer here we could get the rest of the ship back up and running, but...
We've eliminated the threat of an explosion! That's enough!
My legs won't move again—
Ha— haha—
Huh?

You're a splendid bosun!

The cooling system is up and running again!
We're heading back to Kanmmaru now!
Heh. He managed to pull it off.
It doesn't matter how you do it, this world only cares about success.
He's...
Starting to get the hang of this!

TOKYO CIVIL AVIATION BUREAU

G...Give it a rest already!
I'll call security, Kasai!

And have all of Haneda Airport cooperate with their efforts!
Give them permission to work.
This is a work area map from Namba Salvage.
I'll ask over and over again until you give the go-ahead.
I understand, but...
I understand why you're so heated up about this
Kasai here!
You can't be--
RING RING
If I make any moves on my own and the higher-ups don't like it--.
Please try and think of my position

While we're sitting here talking about unimportant things...
Just now...
Nanba Salvage succeeded in stopping the gas leak on the ship in question
They're putting their lives on the line to protect Haneda

It's not just about money...
They're doing it for their "pride" as well!

What about us?!
When did we government workers throw our pride away?! When did we start looking down on the people?!

Uhh
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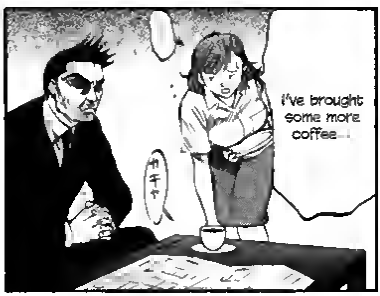
I've brought some more coffee...
ガチャ

Sir?!
You can't smoke in here!
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ず!
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Sweet...
This feels so good...
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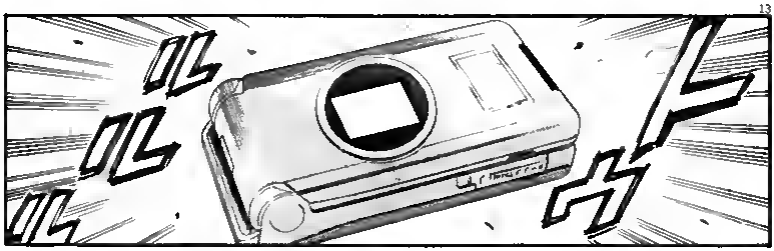
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Sorry to keep you waiting! I just got permission from the Aviation Bureau
You can work as much as you like without worry!
Kasai here.
Y-yes, Nanba speaking!
It's from Mr. Kasai!

Also you only have until the first plane takes off tomorrow morning to finish the job!
.....
They just changed landing runways
However I wasn't able to get all of Haneda shut down

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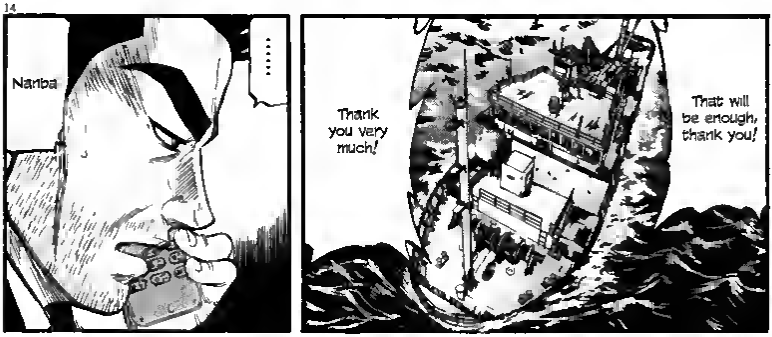
Nanba
.....
Thank you very much!
That will be enough, thank you!

No—
I'm the one who...
I'm sorry...
About every-thing...

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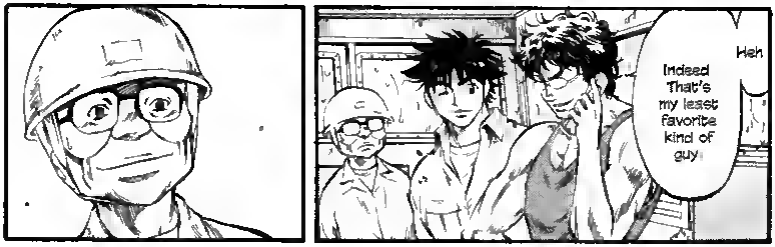
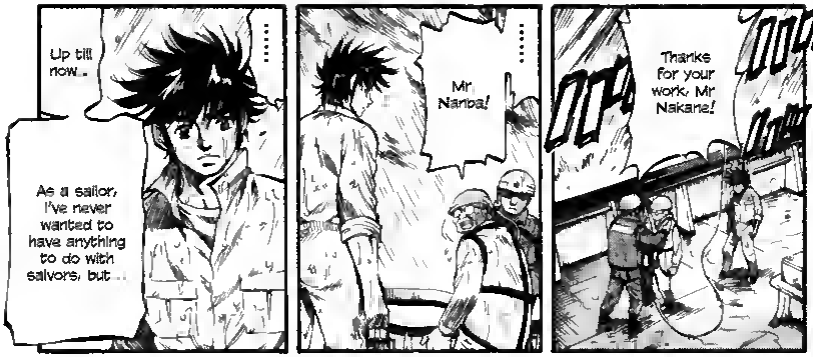
I hear you helped out one of our people at the Aviation Bureau
Thanks for your help I guess
We're still on the job here! Save the pity party until after we're done!
Salvage Master Sawamura here!
Ah sorry

If you keep sticking your neck out for salvors like this...
You're not gonna get promoted...
.....
Let's just say I'm not the type who likes to be promoted for doing nothing.


Heh
Indeed. That's my least favorite kind of guy.


Up till now...
As a sailor, I've never wanted to have anything to do with sailors, but...
.....
Mr Nanba!
.....
Thanks for your work, Mr Nakane!

Now...
Please save the ship and Haneda
I've been saved
I'm glad...
That I met you guys
And...
Please come back safely...

17:22 PM
HANEDA
WATERS
All right!
We stopped the leak!
Time for the second act!

The typhoon is blowing east-northeast now! Wind speed is 17m, waves are 3.5m high!
It's going to hit Tokyo Bay in approximately...
9 hours!
When you say second act, you mean raising the tanker with the crane ship and draining the gas, right?
Wah!
The waves are getting higher and higher...
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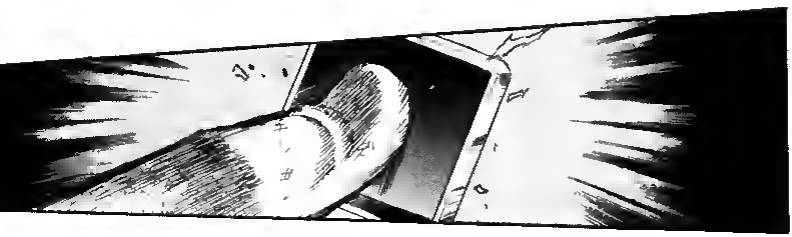
In...
In this storm...
How exactly are you going to get it up?!
I wasn't exactly sitting here twiddling my thumbs...
While you were out there stopping the leak

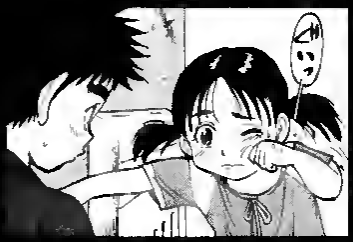
You've made it easy for us to get this plan under way.
Now that you've stopped the gas...

This is my raising plan...
My 'Acrobatic' Plan!



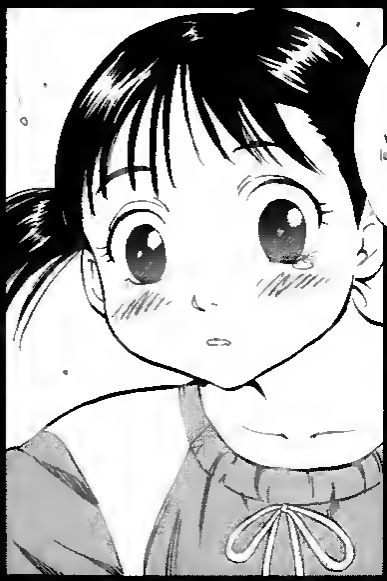
Chapter 76 New Pressure

Will she be okay by herself?
Maaya's a good girl. She's my precious granddaughter!
I'm going back to work with Mr. Namba. Look after the house while we're gone.
See you later, little Maaya.
It's okay...
I'm used to it...
Papa... Mama... Grandpa...
They're all busy with work...
バタン
Ding Dong!



Hiya!

Nah, I thought I'd stay here and play with you. My Dad'll come get me later.
Did you forget something?
Why?



I didn't want to leave you alone..
You looked kinda lonely...

I was really happy...
He stayed with me the whole time...
Really?
I...I was fine by myself you know!
I'm sure that's when I started liking him...

Now...
Gotta hurry up and get in touch with Grandpa ..
I want to get to know him better!
But...
But that was 9 years ago. I'd almost forgotten about him until we met again...
That will be 924 yen.

Going to sea in a typhoon like this !!
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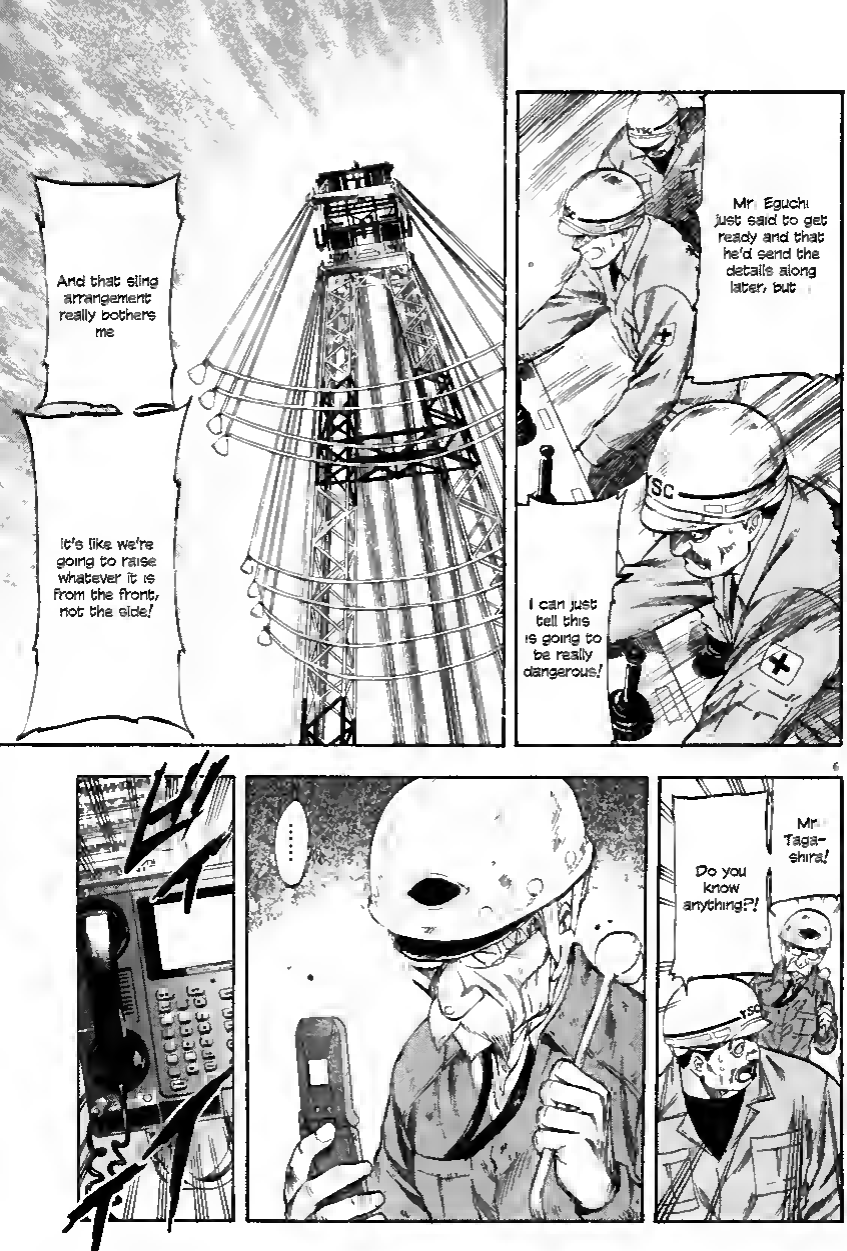
Mr. Eguchi just said to get ready and that he'd send the details along later, but
I can just tell this is going to be really dangerous!
And that sling arrangement really bothers me
It's like we're going to raise whatever it is from the front, not the side!
Mr. Tagashira!
Do you know anything?!
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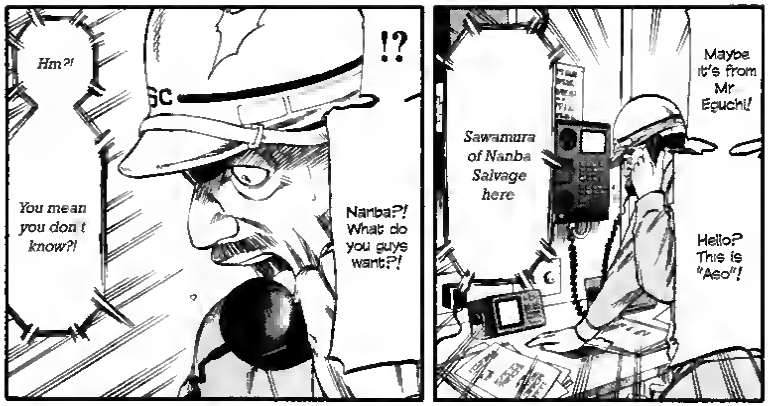
Hm?!
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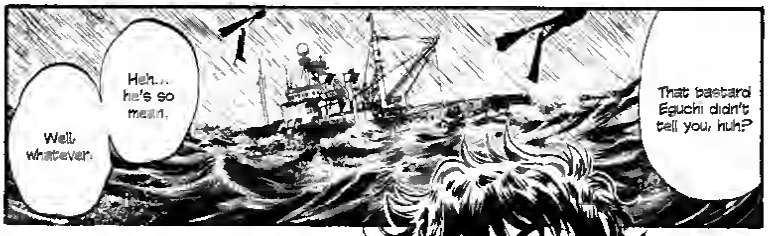
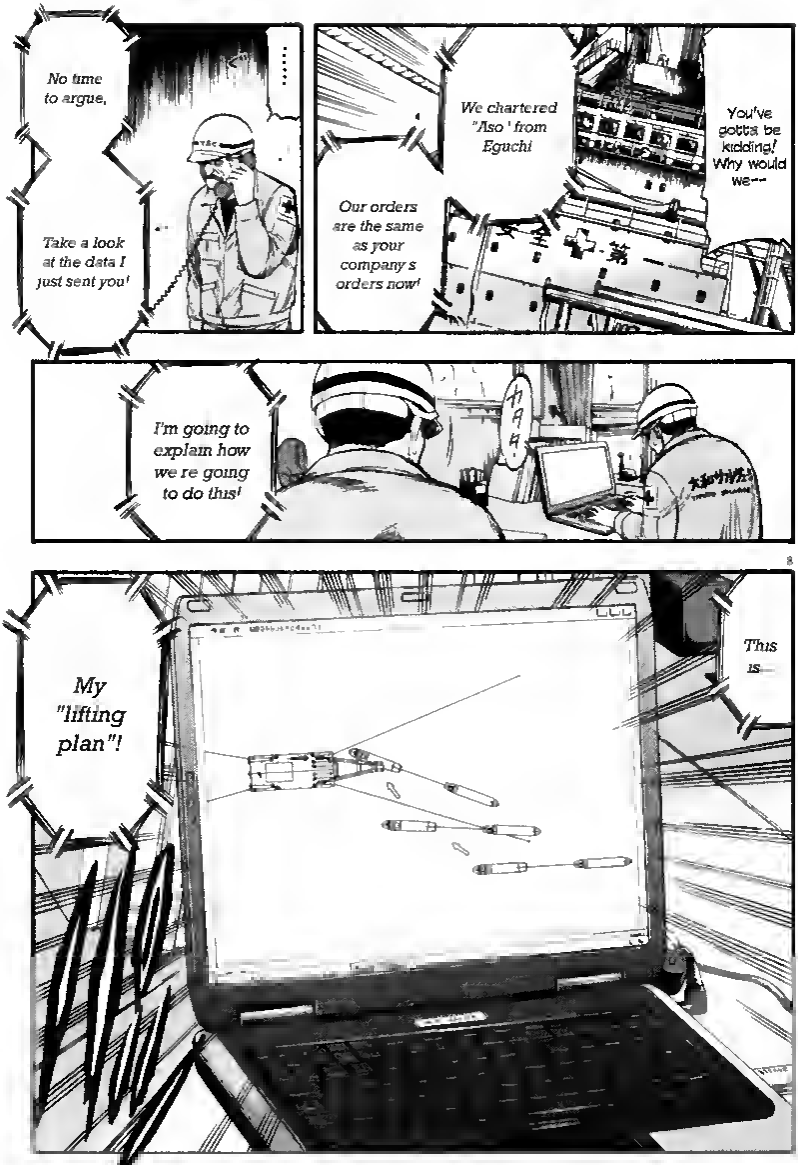
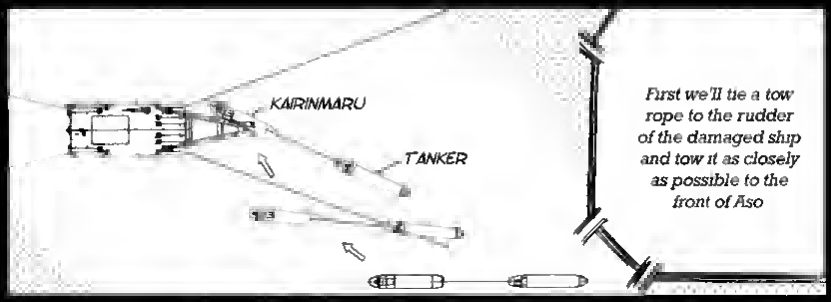
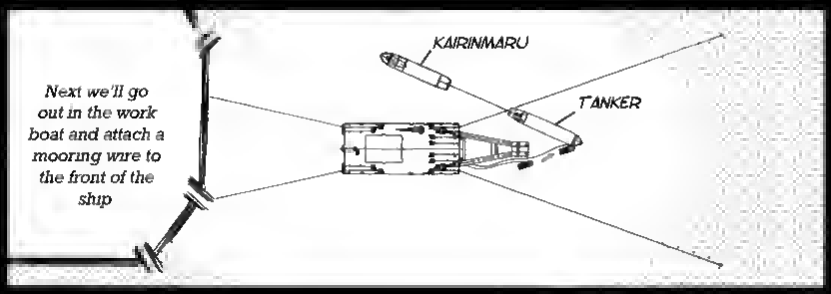
You mean you don't know?!
Nanba?! What do you guys want?!
Sawamura of Nanba Salvage here
Maybe it's from Mr Eguchi!
Hello? This is "Aeo"!

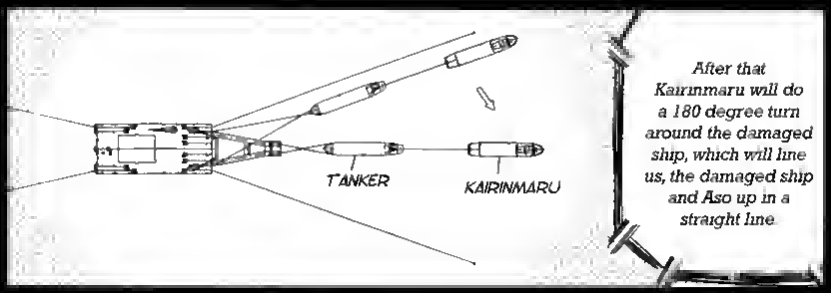

That bastard Eguchi didn't tell you, huh?
Heh... he's so mean.
Well, whatever.

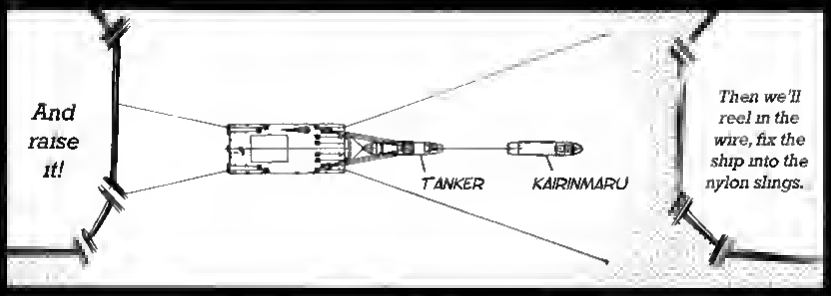
Got it?!
Anyway, you guys are under my command now.


No time to argue,
Take a look at the data I just sent you!
We chartered "Aso" from Eguchi
Our orders are the same as your company's orders now!
You've gotta be kidding! Why would we---
I'm going to explain how we're going to do this!
My "lifting plan"!
This is—

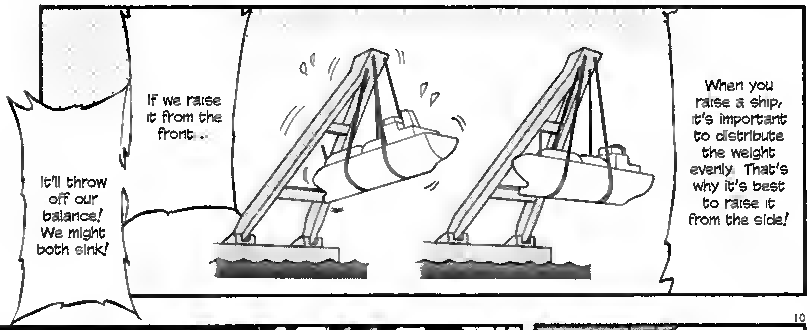

KAIRINMARU
TANKER
First we'll tie a tow rope to the rudder of the damaged ship and tow it as closely as possible to the front of Aso


KAIRINMARU
TANKER
Next we'll go out in the work boat and attach a mooring wire to the front of the ship


TANKER
KAIRINMARU
After that Kairinmaru will do a 180 degree turn around the damaged ship, which will line us, the damaged ship and Aso up in a straight line

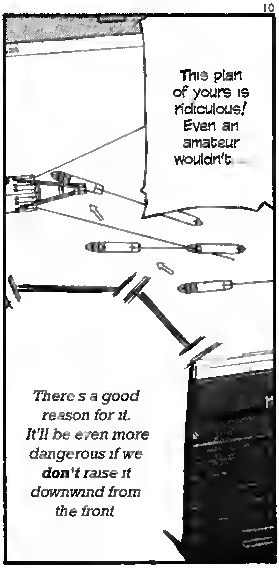

And raise it!
TANKER
KAIRINMARU
Then we'll reel in the wire, fix the ship into the nylon slings.

W-what kind of raising plan is this?!
Hold on a second!
W... wait!
Did you get all that?

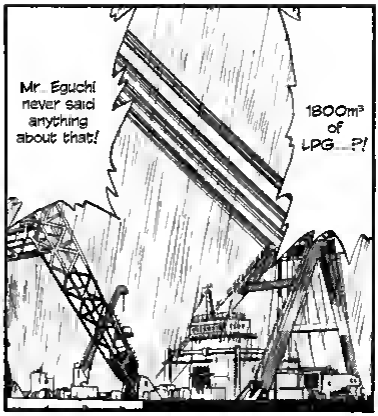

If we raise it from the front...
It'll throw off our balance! We might both sink!
When you raise a ship, it's important to distribute the weight evenly. That's why it's best to raise it from the side!

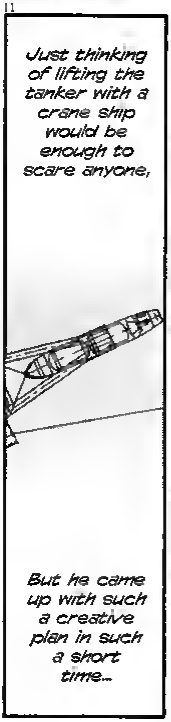
Because the ship we're raising...

...is a tanker carrying 1800m³ of LPG!


This plan of yours is ridiculous! Even an amateur wouldn't...
There's a good reason for it. It'll be even more dangerous if we **don't** raise it downwind from the front

Hey hey!
Heh
I bet he thought you'd all would be too scared to sail if he did!
Aren't you lucky your boss is so considerate?


Mr. Eguchi never said anything about that!
1800m³ of LPG...?!


Just thinking of lifting the tanker with a crane ship would be enough to scare anyone,
But he came up with such a creative plan in such a short time...

And let's start my acrobatic plan!
Now pull yourselves together

To make a 450 this dirty?!
How many hundreds of disasters does it take...
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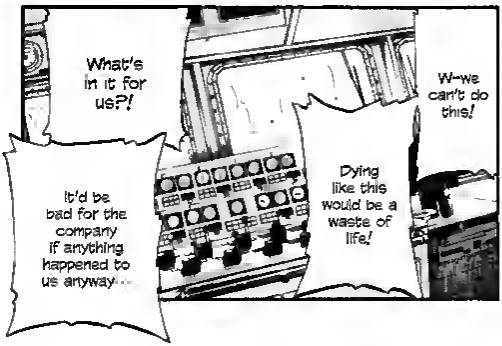
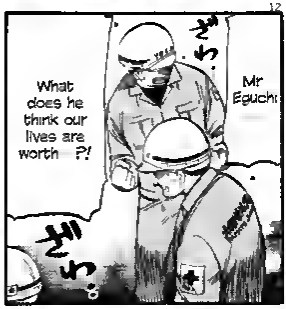
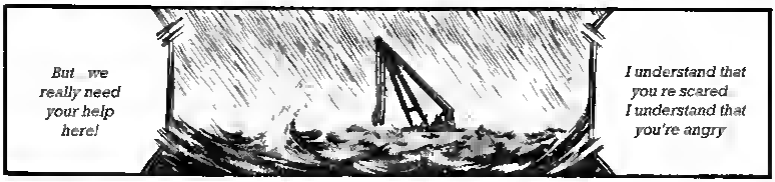
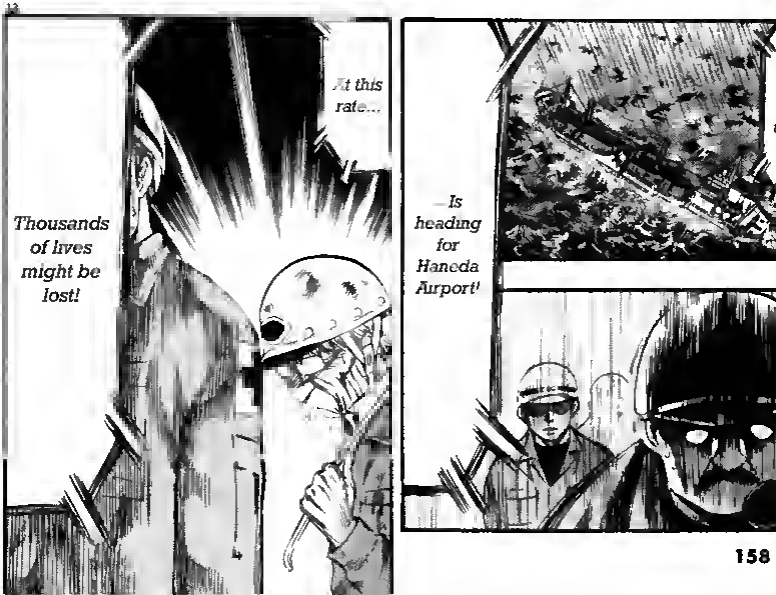
FU


What's in it for us?!
W-we can't do this!
It'd be bad for the company if anything happened to us anyway...
Dying like this would be a waste of life!


What does he think our lives are worth...?!
Mr Eguchi
ZHI
ZHI

Umm...
This is Nanba Rintarou boss of Nanba Salvage
Huh ?!
What a bunch of cowards!
...!!


But we really need your help here!
I understand that you re scared I understand that you're angry


At this rate...
Thousands of lives might be lost!
That LPG tanker
—Is heading for Haneda Airport!

YSC
We're salvors, aren't we?!
Are we going to run away?!

Bon!
Ow!
That voice... Mr Tagashira?!
Nanba's new boss
Your father Kanji...
...Would have been really happy to hear you say that

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Looks like...
We've all made up our minds as well
We'll be charging extra for this, though!
Let's do a great job that'll make the head honchos eat up!

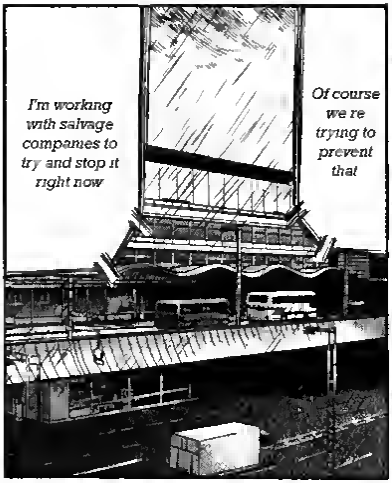
Yeah!
Let's save Haneda together!

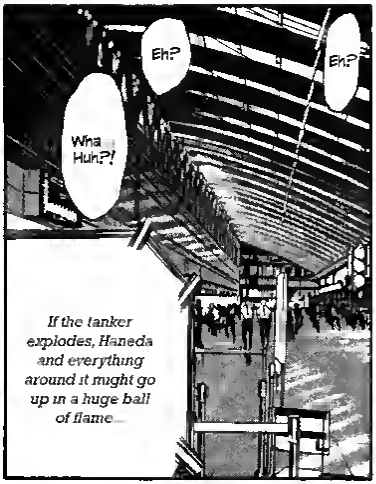
New boss.
You know...
.....
What's the matter?
.....?
No
Never mind...
.....

I wanted to charge my phone but I couldn't find a socket so I ended up buying a new battery.
Sorry, the phone cut!
Ma--
Maaya ?!
Anyway, there's something I wanted to ask you...
Listen to me Maaya...
?
What is it?
You have...
To get away from Haneda right now!
Huh?!

An LPG tanker ...
Is drifting towards Haneda right now!
Maaya-chan...

She's at Haneda?!


I'm working with salvage companies to try and stop it right now
Of course we're trying to prevent that


Eh?
Eh?
Wha...
Huh?!
If the tanker explodes, Haneda and everything around it might go up in a huge ball of flame...

Salvage companies...
!!

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Tell me.
to get away from there...
Please...
I want you...
But...
No matter what

Grand-pa...
Is Rin-chan...
There too?
Yes...
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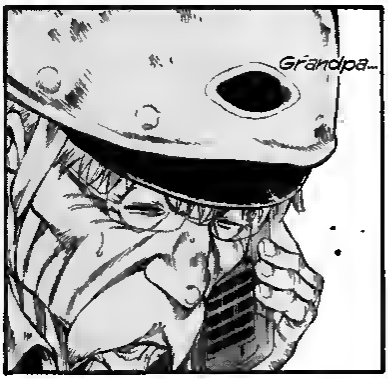
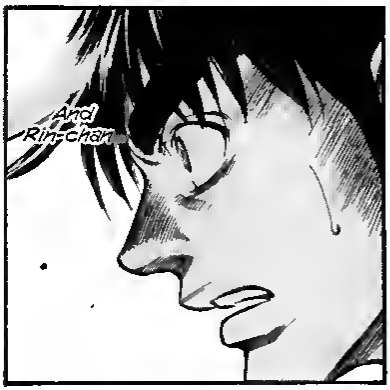
An LPG tanker...
Is drifting towards Haneda


Grandpa...


And Rin-chan...

Which means...

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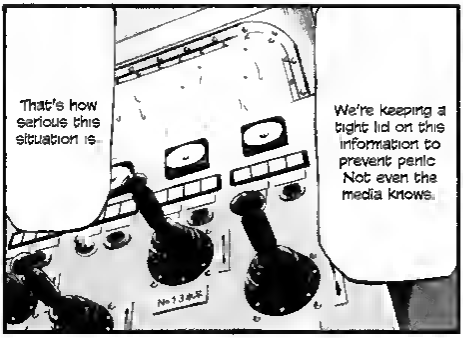
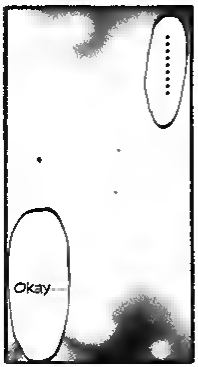
...Are near a ship deadly enough to blow Haneda sky high?


That's how serious this situation is.
We're keeping a tight lid on this information to prevent panic. Not even the media knows.

Maaya!
Are you listening, Maaya?

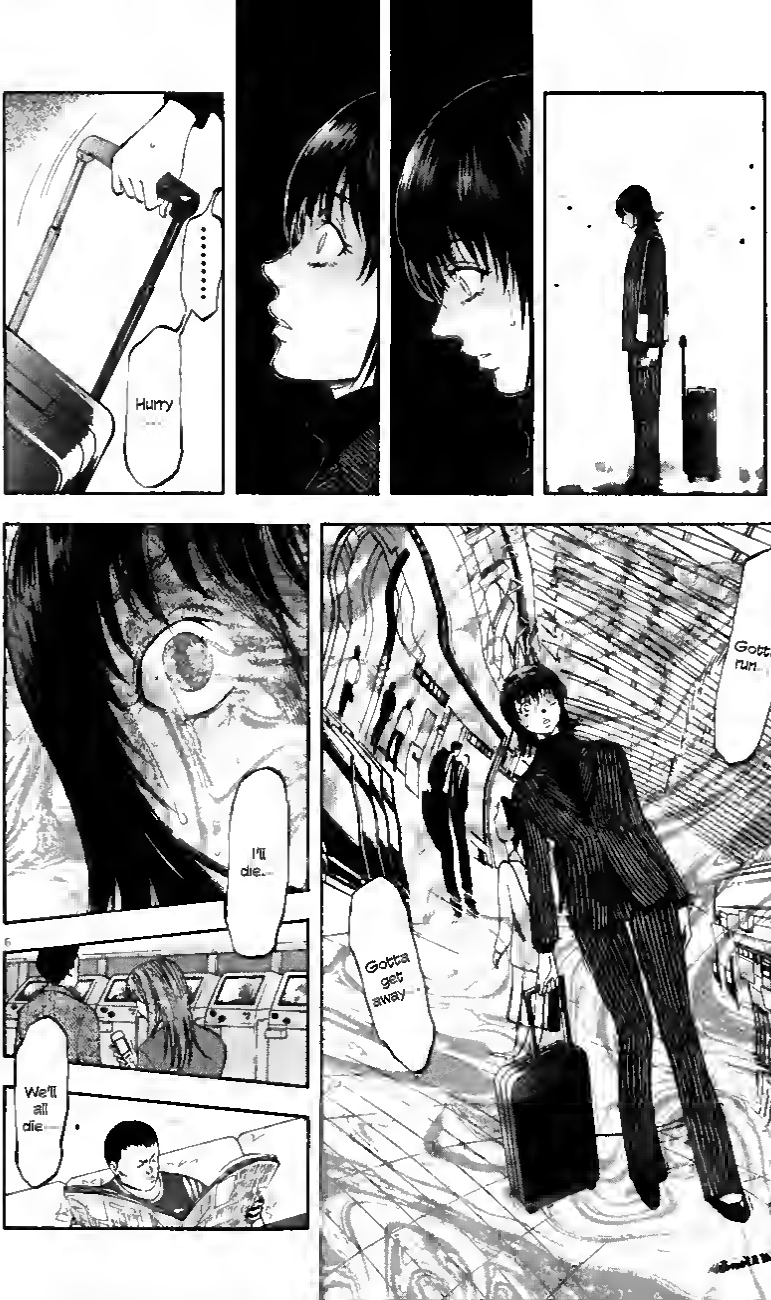
You...
You're my granddaughter...
Get away from there as fast as you can.
Do you get it?


Okay...

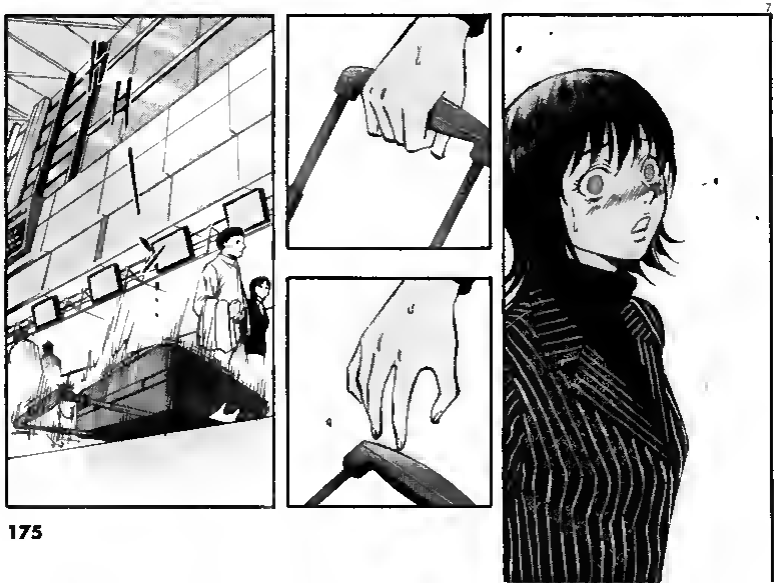
You can't die before I do...
Please...

I'll give you all the technical support I can. Just say the word!
Of course, sir! We couldn't possibly do a job this complicated without your advice!
Is something wrong, Dockmaster?
No...
New guy...
We're counting on you, sir!
We have...
To save Haneda!
I'm not saying I only care what happens to Maaya.

Right!


Hurry
I'll die
Gotta run
Gotta get away
We'll all die

Everyone...



I've got to tell everyone else...

Is it okay...
If I'm the only one who gets away?

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We're keeping a tight lid on this to prevent panic.

And...

Grandpa...
Is over there right now.

I didn't want to leave you alone
Run away by myself!
I can't...

18:47
PM
3.8KM
AWAY
FROM
HANEDA

I've never faced anything this crazy before!
The waves were really bad when we raised the Zero, but...
Whoa!
Wind speed is 20m! The waves have risen from 4.0m to 4.5m!
Are you guys serious?! Can we really do this job in these conditions?!
And it's only going to get worse...
Heh heh heh
Heh.

I haven't felt this tense...
In a long, long time!

OK!
Let's get this show on the road!
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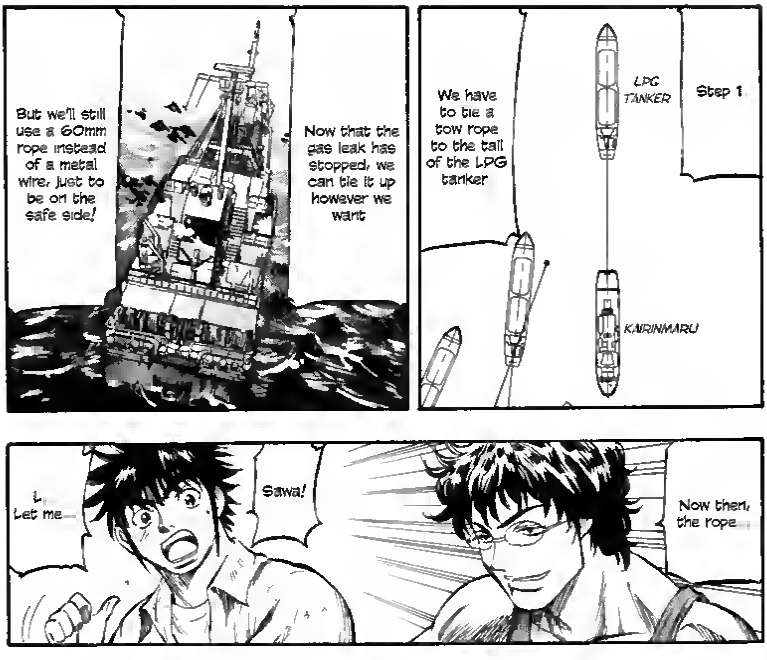

But we'll still use a 60mm rope instead of a metal wire, just to be on the safe side!
Now that the gas leak has stopped, we can tie it up however we want
We have to tie a tow rope to the tail of the LPG tanker
LPG TANKER
Step 1
KARINMARU
L, Let me...
Sawa!
Now then, the rope...
I want to go tie the rope!
I...
Ah!

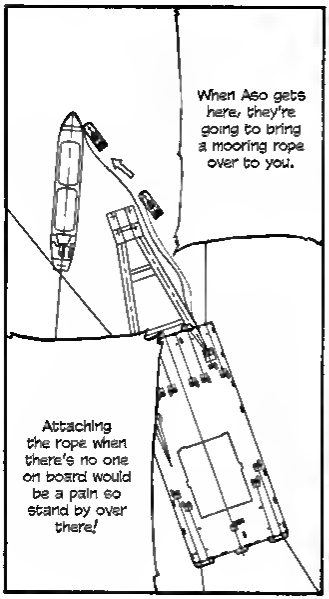
I thought you might say that.
I'm not expecting much but go for it!

Hi Hiro
Are you okay?! Gah!
Hm?
What's up?
Isn't this fun?!
It It is?!
Sawa and Hiro...They're actually enjoying this!

Wah!
Find this fun one day?!
Will I ever...

LPG

Sorry but you're gonna have to stay there a while!
Roger!


When Aso gets here, they're going to bring a mooring rope over to you.
Attaching the rope when there's no one on board would be a pain so stand by over there!

Kairin-maru, do you read me?!
I just finished tying the tow rope!

Okay!
You heard him, Hiro! Go back without me!
Roger!
Take care, Boss!
Well...
Stand by...
Huh...
SW
SW
SW

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Chapter 78 To Those Who Wait

Chapter 73 To Those Who Wait

In these conditions, we won't be able to attach the mooring rope from Aso without your help
Piss yourself all you want, but stay on that ship!
Haha, your voice is squeaking!
O-of course not, dumbass!
Ah!
I'm not leaving, and I'm certainly not pissi---
Even if I die---
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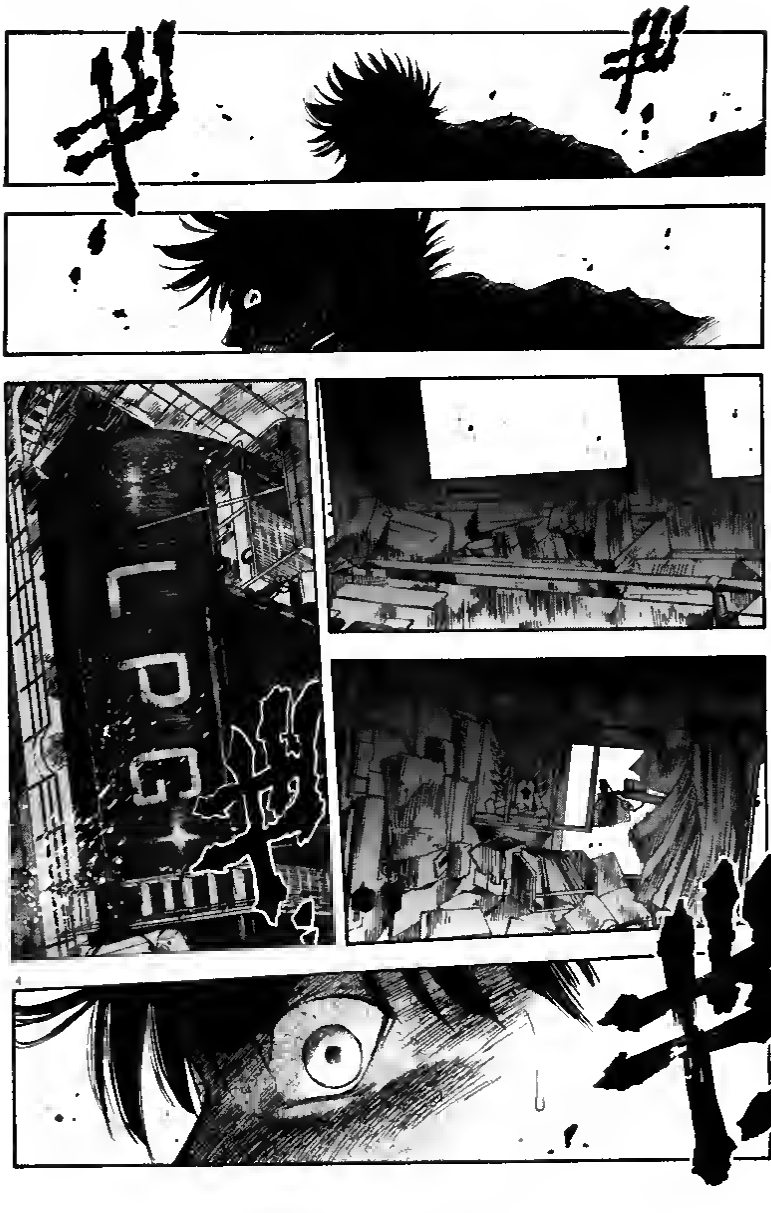
LDS

Will we be able to save everyone?!
Will we return alive...?!
Will we succeed?!
Gwah!

Gotta think of something else……

The more I think about it, the more nervous I get!
No! Stop that!

I wonder……
If Maaya-chan has left Haneda yet……

Grandpa…
Rin-chan…

Don't do anything reckless at your age...
Grandpa...
Working at sea in this typhoon.
Right now, they're both...
Is it something dangerous?
Rin-chan! What are you doing right now!?

So at least, let me...

I can't do anything to help you...
I can't see anything...I don't know anything...

Stay by every-one's side...

Isn't Aso here yet!?
.....
Hareda's lights are already this close!

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Now...

It's time to be "still"...

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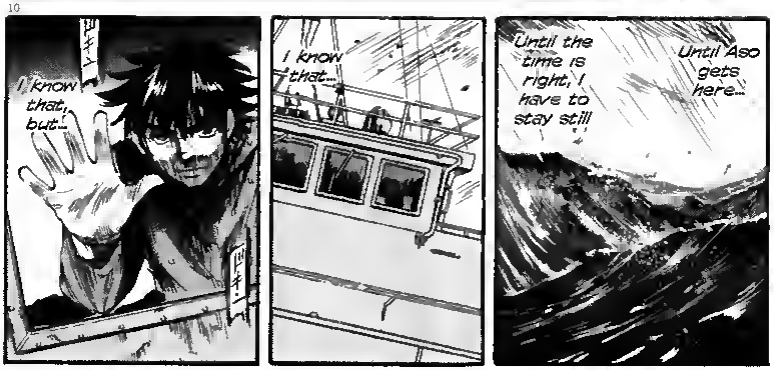
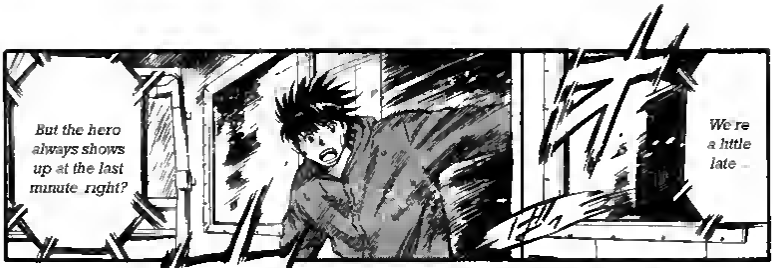
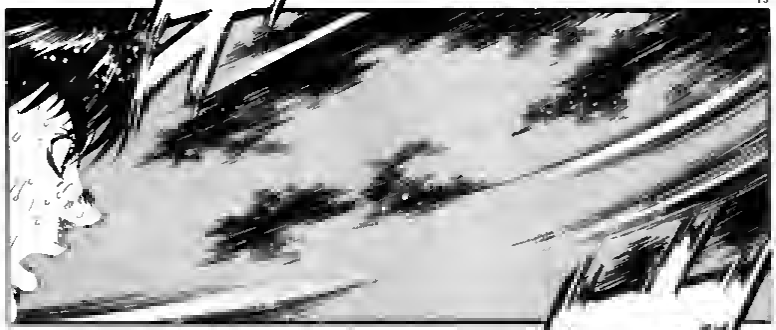

I know that, but...
I know that...
Until the time is right, I have to stay still
Until Aso gets here...

I don't want those lights...
To disappear
The tow rope might snap at any moment...
There are a ton of risks involved.
Aso's still not here...
A ship filled to the brim with gas in this weather...
Dammit! Dammit!
I can't help thinking about all the horrible things that could happen!

Sorry to keep you waiting!


But the hero always shows up at the last minute, right?
We're a little late...



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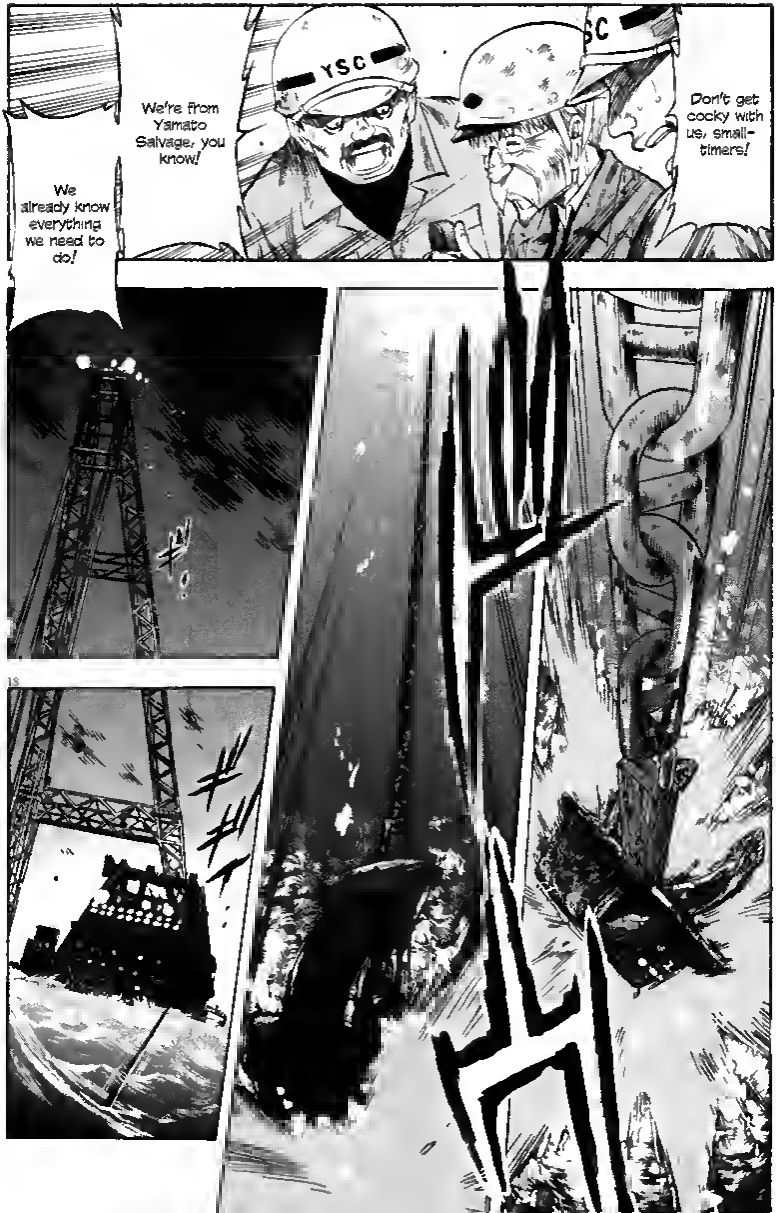
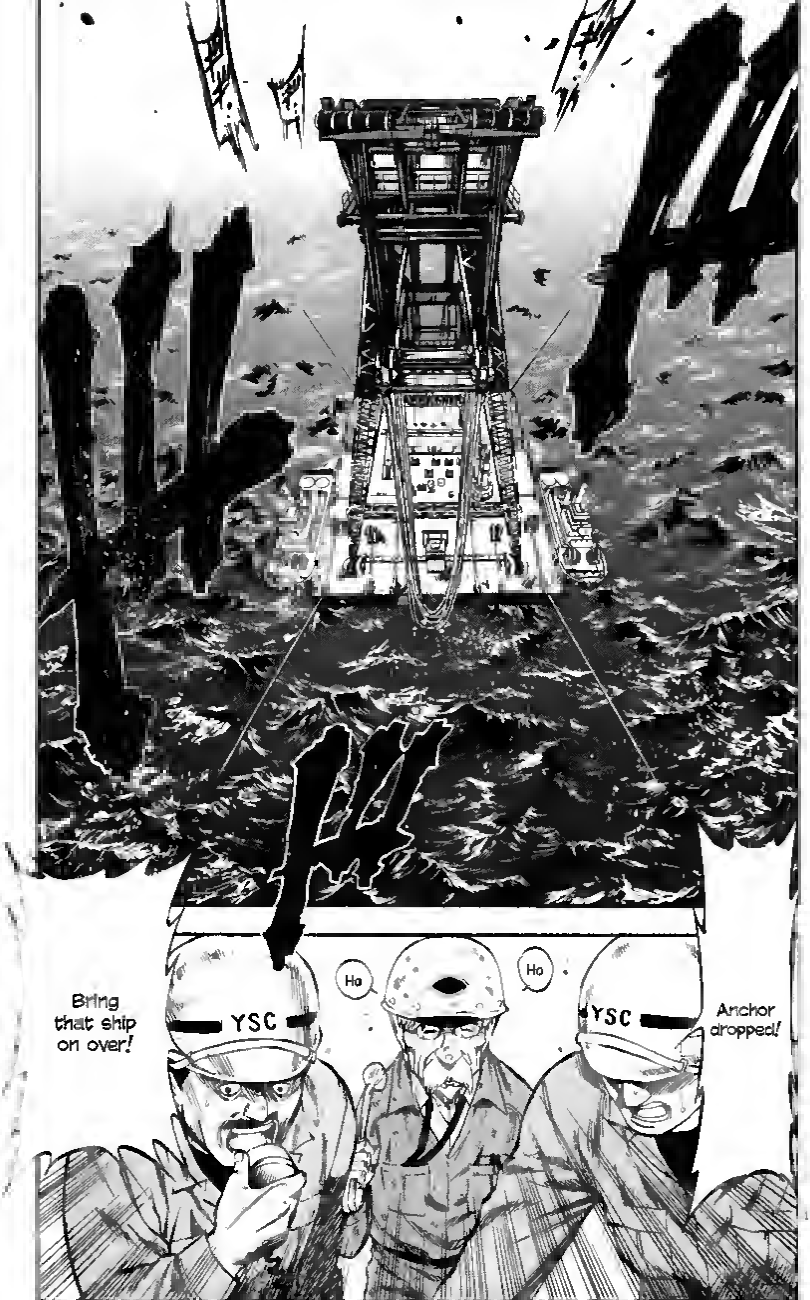
Now!
Let's start the show!

※THE ARM OF A CRANE SHIP IS CALLED A BOOM


YSC
We're from Yamato Salvage, you know!
Don't get cocky with us, small-timers!
We already know everything we need to do!


Bring that ship on over!
YSC
Ho
Ho
YSC
Anchor dropped!

Yeah!
Gr-ampe!
Get ready to take it!
Hmph, you asked for it...
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The slightest mistake and it's all over for us!
I know that!

REAL UMISHI DIARIES

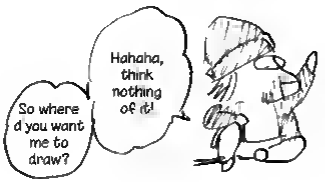
7TH JANUARY 2006
AT THE WA GA NA WA UMISHI STUDIO...

A SPECIAL GUEST...

ARRIVED!

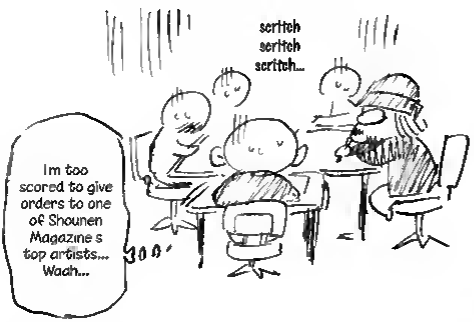
MR. MITSUROU KUBO!

HE CAME ALL THE WAY TO OUR STUDIO TO HELP US WITH THE JOINT "TOKKYUU" AND "UMISHI" PICTURES THAT APPEARED IN VOLUME 8!



BUT...WHEN WE ACTUALLY STARTED WORKING TOGETHER, WE WERE ALL

NERVOUS AS HELL!!

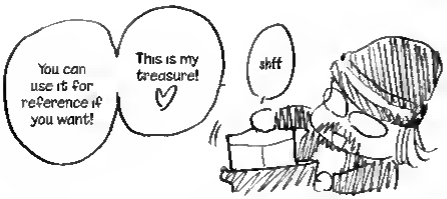


...TO BLOW THAT NERVOUSNESS AWAY...

WAHAHAHAHA!
Every time I look at her I get a <beep>!
ollllrrr
You know Christel Takigawa?
Have you ever looked at o cat's <beep>? It's hilarious!

HE TOLD ALL THESE JOKES THAT MADE US LAUGH NON-STOP!

FURTHERMORE...



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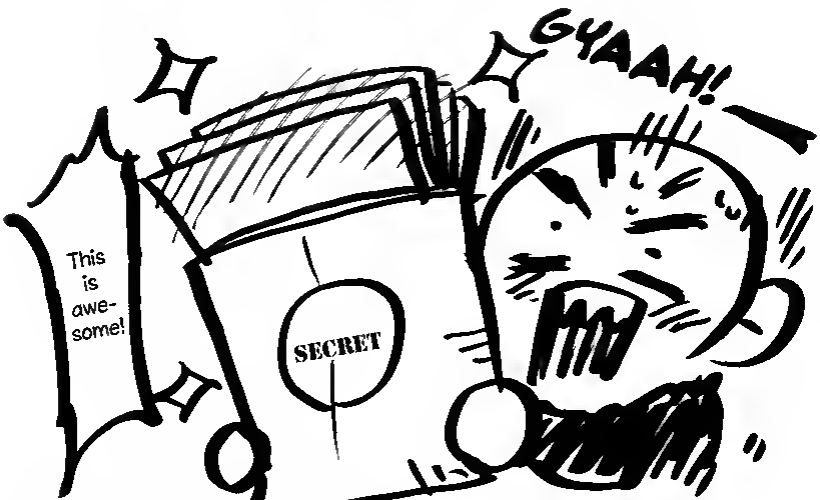
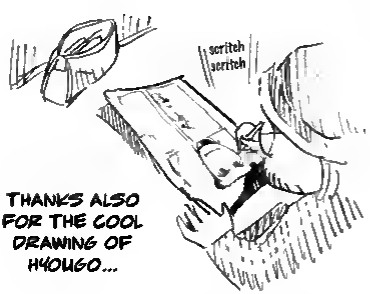


HELICOPTER BLUEPRINTS AND DESIGN SKETCHES! THE SAME ONES HE USES FOR "TOKKYUU!!"

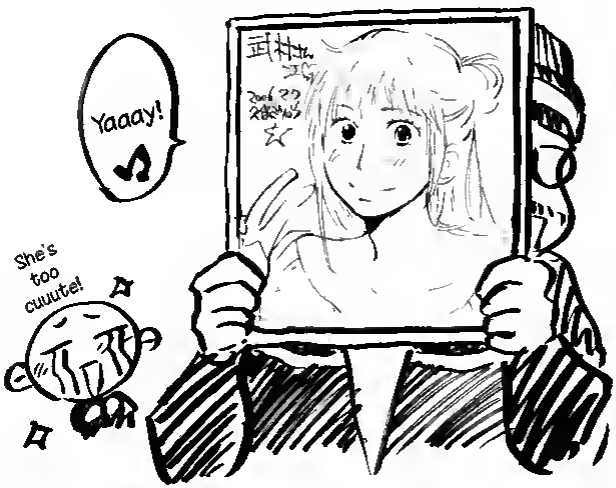
WHAT A TREASURE!!



THANKS ALSO FOR THE COOL DRAWING OF H4OUGO...

...I USED THEM OVER AND OVER AGAIN. ♥

AND AT THE VERY END, HE GAVE ME AN AUTOGRAPHED PICTURE OF MY BELOVED "YURI-CHAN!"



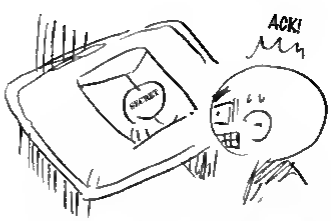
OUR COLLABORATION WENT GREAT AND MR. KUBO WENT BACK HOME!

THANK YOU VERY MUCH!!!

FORGETTING SOMETHING HE CALLS HIS TREASURE...

THAT'S A MANGA ARTIST FOR YOU...

BUT...



HE FORGOT SOMETHING!!